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Inventors (please provide full names): Chen et al

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 (FUEL? OR ELECTROCHEM? OR ELECTRO(W)CHEM? OR GALVAN? OR
 ELECTROLY? OR SECONDAR? OR PRIMAR?) (2A)CELL? OR FC OR SOFC OR
 DFC OR PEMFC

L3 942418 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON PLURAL? OR MANY## OR STACK? OR MULTIPL?
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L4 783737 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON INLET? OR INJECT? OR INPUT?

L5 813117 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON ANOD? OR CATHOD? OR ELECTROD?

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L7 2956 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON REFORMATE? OR FUEL? OR H2 OR HYDROGEN#

L8 4447 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON OXIDIZ? OR OXIDIS? OR OXYGEN# OR O2 OR
 AIR?

L9 4439 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON SPLIT? OR DIVID? OR DIVISION? OR SEPARAT?

L10 815 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON HUMID? OR MOIST? OR DAMP?

L11 13581 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON CATALY?(2A)REACT? OR REACT? OR REFORMER?

L12 6076 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON PREHEAT? OR PRE(A)HEAT? OR WARM? OR HEAT?

L13 1121 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON CHANNEL? OR CONDUIT? OR DUCT? OR PASSAGE?
 OR TROUGH? OR TUNNEL?

L14 25 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON FLOW?(2A) (PLAT? OR FIELD?)

L15 6705 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON RATE? OR SPEED? OR VELOCIT?

L16 1354 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON TUBE? OR TUBUL? OR PRISM? OR BUTTON?

L17 3549 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON CAS#####

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L19 53 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON ARREST? OR FLASH(2A)ARREST?

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L22 21376 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L7 (2A) L12

L23 83 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L21 AND L22

L24 22 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L23 AND L3

L25 3 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L24 AND L4
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L27 1787397 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L8 OR OXIDIZE

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L53	148545	SEA ABB=ON	PLU=ON	HUMID? OR MOIST? OR DAMP?
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DFC OR PEMFC

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GROUPING?

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L86 7 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L85 AND L84

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L88 6 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L86 AND L87

L89 7 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L86 OR L88
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L105 718119 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L7

L106 251704 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L10

L107 5526 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L9(3N) L105

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 L114 68 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L110 AND L108
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 L127 2 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L117 AND L125
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 L136 13 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L135 AND (BATTER? OR FUEL? OR CELL?)
 L137 12 SEA L132
 L138 9 SEA L132
 L139 19 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON (L137 OR L138) AND (BATTER? OR FUEL? OR
 CELL?)
 L140 2 SEA L132
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 L142 11 SEA L132
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 FUEL? OR CELL?)
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 L146 8 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON (L144 OR L145) AND (BATTER? OR FUEL? OR
 CELL?)
 L147 1 SEA L132
 L148 1 SEA L132
 L149 2 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON (L147 OR L148) AND (BATTER? OR FUEL? OR
 CELL?)
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 L150 73 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L132 AND (BATTER? OR FUEL? OR CELL?)
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 L151 2 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L132 NOT L150

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L47 ANSWER 1 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
TI Production of electric power and process heat

L47 ANSWER 2 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
TI Computation of the conjugating **heat** transfer of **fuel** and oxidant **separated** by a heat-generating cell tube in a solid oxide **fuel cell**

L47 ANSWER 3 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
TI Gas **preheating** structure for **fuel cell** **stack**

L47 ANSWER 4 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
TI **Stacked fuel cell** using pure **hydrogen fuel** and showing high energy conversion efficiency

L47 ANSWER 5 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
TI Thermoelectric reformer **fuel cell** process

L47 ANSWER 6 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
TI **Fuel cell** with internal reforming unit

L47 ANSWER 7 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

TI Catalytic humidifier and heater for the fuel stream of a fuel cell

L47 ANSWER 8 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

TI **Stack** design and performance of polymer **electrolyte** membrane **fuel cells**

L47 ANSWER 9 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

TI **Fuel cell stacks** and their operation method

L47 ANSWER 10 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

TI Separator for the solid polymer **electrolyte fuel cells** and solid polymer **electrolyte fuel cell stack** using the separators

L47 ANSWER 11 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

TI Heat absorption process using endothermic reaction with metal oxide

L47 ANSWER 12 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

TI Solid **electrolyte fuel cell stacks**

L47 ANSWER 13 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

TI Solid-**electrolyte fuel cells** using heat-resistant metals

L47 ANSWER 14 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

TI Heat and mass transfer effects in PEM [proton exchange membrane] **fuel cells**

L47 ANSWER 15 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

TI **Fuel cell heat** and water removal system using electrolyte circulation

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L47 ANSWER 7 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

136:56398 Catalytic humidifier and heater for the fuel stream of a fuel cell.

Frank, David; Chen, Xuesong; Rivard, Pierre; Cargnelli, Joseph

(Hydrogenics Corporation, Can.). PCT Int. Appl. WO 2001097308 A2

20011220, 22 pp. DESIGNATED STATES: W: AE, AG, AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA,

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CF, CG, CH, CI, CM, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GA, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC,

ML, MR, NE, NL, PT, SE, SN, TD, TG, TR. (English). CODEN: PIXXD2.

APPLICATION: WO 2001-CA852 20010613. PRIORITY: US 2000-592950 20000613.

AB A method and apparatus are provided for humidifying fuel, and optionally oxidant, supplied to a fuel cell system, which can be a single **fuel cell** or a **multiplicity of fuel cells**. A catalytic reactor is provided, which is supplied with a portion of the fuel and the oxidant. The fuel is supplied in excess of the oxidant to the catalytic reactor, so as to generate a stream of fuel which is both heated and humidified. For a closed system, a heated and

humidified fuel flow, and optionally a heated and humidified oxidant flow,

are mixed with addnl. flows of these gases supplied to the fuel cell.

IC ICM H01M008-04

CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
Section cross-reference(s): 47

L47 ANSWER 1 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

140:62285 Production of electric power and process heat. Jorge, Jose Roberto Abbud (Brazil). Braz. Pedido PI BR 2001002790 A 20030204, 13 pp. (Portuguese). CODEN: BPXXDX. APPLICATION: BR 2001-2790 20010521.

AB A water-fed solar cell having a specific salt gradient and a biodigester producing methane-containing biogas are linked to provide **heat** and **sep. hydrogen** and carbonates. A 20% ammonia solution is used to **control heat flow**; the heat aids the biodigestion, improving methane yield. The hydrogen is used in a **fuel cell** to generate electricity and the heated water is desalinized to produce potable water. The combined process is efficient and cost-effective.

IC ICM C02F001-00

CC 52-1 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)

IT **Fuel cells**

Heat

Solar cells

(production of elec. power and process heat using a solar cell and a biodigester)

L47 ANSWER 2 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN

139:152255 Computation of the conjugating **heat** transfer of **fuel** and oxidant **separated** by a heat-generating cell tube in a solid oxide **fuel cell**. Li, Pei-Wen; Schaefer, Laura; Wang, Qing-Ming; Chyu, Minking K. (Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, 15261, USA). HTD (American Society of Mechanical Engineers), 372-7(Proceedings of the ASME Heat Transfer Division--2002, Volume 7), 423-430 (English) 2002. CODEN: ASMHD8. ISSN: 0272-5673. Publisher: American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

AB A numerical model is presented to compute the inter-dependent **fields of flow**, temperature and the concns. of **multiple** gases in a single tubular solid oxide **fuel cell (SOFC)** system. It was supposed that the fuel gas

supplied to the **fuel cell** is from a pre-reformer and thus contains hydrogen and proportions of carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide,

steam, and methane. The model takes mixture gas properties of the fuel and

oxidant as functions of the numerically obtained local temperature, pressure and

species concns., which are inter-dependent and intimately related to the electrochem. reaction in the **SOFC**. In the iterative computation steps, local electrochem. parameters were simultaneously calculated based on

the local parameters of pressure, temperature, and concentration of the species

available at each step. Upon the convergence of the computation, both

- local details and the overall performance of the **fuel cell** could be obtained. The numerical results obtained are helpful for better understanding of the operation of **SOFCs**.
- CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
Section cross-reference(s): 48
- ST heat transfer conjugate solid oxide **fuel cell**
- IT Oxidizing agents
(computation of conjugating **heat transfer of fuel** and oxidant **separated** by heat-generating cell tube in solid oxide **fuel cell**)
- IT Heat transfer
(conjugating; computation of conjugating **heat transfer of fuel** and oxidant **separated** by heat-generating cell tube in solid oxide **fuel cell**)
- IT Flow
Simulation and Modeling, physicochemical
(model to compute flow, temperature and concns. of **multiple gases** in single tubular solid oxide **fuel cell** system)
- IT **Fuel cells**
(solid oxide; computation of conjugating **heat transfer of fuel** and oxidant **separated** by heat-generating cell tube in solid oxide **fuel cell**)
- L47 ANSWER 3 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
137:265614 Gas **preheating** structure for **fuel cell stack**. Akigusa, Osamu; Hoshino, Koji (Mitsubishi Materials Corp., Japan). Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho JP 2002280023 A2 **20020927**, 14 pp. (Japanese). CODEN: JKXXAF. APPLICATION: JP 2001-75149 20010316.
- AB In a solid **electrolyte fuel cell stack** containing separators between **cells** and **reaction gas channels** in the separators, connecting gas **inlet** at the edge of the separator to gas releasing holes facing resp. **electrodes**; where a **channel** is formed in the separator circling around its edge, connecting the **fuel gas inlet** and the **fuel gas channel** for **preheating** the **fuel gas**, and a similar **channel** is formed for preheating the oxidant gas.
- IC ICM H01M008-02
ICS H01M008-04; H01M008-12; H01M008-24
- CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
- ST solid **electrolyte fuel cell separator reaction gas preheating**
- IT **Fuel cell separators**
(structure of separators containing **reaction gas preheating channels** in solid **electrolyte fuel cell stacks**)
- L47 ANSWER 4 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
136:357447 **Stacked fuel cell** using pure **hydrogen fuel** and showing high energy conversion efficiency. Nishikawa, Takao; Muneuchi, Atsuo; Sakai, Katsunori; Tanaka, Kazuhisa; Kano, Akio (Toshiba Corp., Japan). Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho JP 2002134156 A2 **20020510**, 5 pp. (Japanese). CODEN: JKXXAF. APPLICATION: JP 2000-331439 20001030.
- AB The **fuel cell stack** is constituted by a main

stack, an auxiliary **stack**, and an **air**
-humidifying and warming chamber containing a porous membrane interposed
between the **stacks**; wherein high-humidity warm **air**
discharged from the main **stack** is brought in contact with one
side of the porous membrane to give heat and moisture to dry and
low-temperature
unreacted **air** which is brought in contact with the other side of
the membrane. After exchanging the heat and moisture, the unreacted
air is supplied to the main **stack**, while the main
stack-discharged **air** is supplied to the auxiliary
stack. The **fuel cell** enables **cathodic**
humidification and stable operation.

IC ICM H01M008-24
ICS H01M008-24

CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)

ST **stack fuel cell air heat**
moisture exchange; humidification warming **air**
fuel cell stack

IT Humidity
(exchange; **stacked fuel cell**
divided into main- and auxiliary **stacks** and
interposed chamber for exchanging heat and moisture of **air**)

IT Air
Heat transfer
(**stacked fuel cell** divided into
main- and auxiliary **stacks** and interposed chamber for
exchanging heat and moisture of **air**)

IT Fuel cells
(**stacked; stacked fuel cell**
divided into main- and auxiliary **stacks** and
interposed chamber for exchanging heat and moisture of **air**)

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136:234641 Thermoelectric reformer **fuel cell** process.

Wang, Chi S.; Lyons, J. Daniel (USA). PCT Int. Appl. WO 2002021624 A1
20020314, 21 pp. DESIGNATED STATES: W: AT, AU, BR, CA, CH, CN,
CZ, DE, DK, ES, FI, GB, HU, ID, IL, IN, IS, JP, KR, MX, NO, NZ, PL, PT,
RO, RU, SE, SG, TR, UA, ZA; RW: AT, BE, CH, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB,
GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE, TR. (English). CODEN: PIXXD2.
APPLICATION: WO 2001-US25027 20010809. PRIORITY: US 2000-657387

20000908.

AB An integrated process and system are disclosed for producing electricity
for stationary purposes or for elec./powered vehicle using any of
multiple hydrocarbon input fuels, a
fuel cell, and a thermoelec. reformer that allows quick
response to transient loads. Optional high-temperature and

low-temperature water-gas

shift reactors are used to convert carbon monoxide to carbon dioxide in
the reformat stream; a **hydrogen separator** is used to
remove carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, the trace hydrocarbons; and a
condenser is used to remove **moisture** from the reformat stream.
Hydrogen gas not consumed in the **fuel cell** is stored
or recycled for subsequent **input** to the **fuel**
cell. H₂O produced in the **fuel cell** is
recycled for use in the reformer and water-gas shift reactors and is

heated with waste heat from the fuel cell and carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, and hydrocarbons from the hydrogen separator. A mixer is used to vaporize the input fuel prior to entering the thermoelec. reformer. Some of the electricity produced in the fuel cell issued for powering the thermoelec. reformer and is also stored for subsequent startup and peak load purposes.

IC ICM H01M008-06

CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
Section cross-reference(s): 49

ST thermoelec reformer fuel cell process

IT Recycling
(H2O and H2; thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

IT Waste heat
(management; thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

IT Heat exchangers
(regenerative; thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

IT Fuel gas manufacturing
(steam reforming; thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

IT Reforming apparatus
(steam; thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

IT Fuel cells
Thermoelectric devices
Water gas shift reaction
(thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

IT Hydrocarbons, processes
RL: CPS (Chemical process); PEP (Physical, engineering or chemical process); PROC (Process)
(thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

IT 7732-18-5, Water, uses
RL: TEM (Technical or engineered material use); USES (Uses)
(recycling of; thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

IT 630-08-0, Carbon monoxide, processes
RL: CPS (Chemical process); PEP (Physical, engineering or chemical process); REM (Removal or disposal); PROC (Process)
(thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

IT 1333-74-0P, Hydrogen, uses
RL: PUR (Purification or recovery); SPN (Synthetic preparation); TEM (Technical or engineered material use); PREP (Preparation); USES (Uses)
(thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

IT 124-38-9, Carbon dioxide, processes
RL: REM (Removal or disposal); PROC (Process)
(thermoelec. reformer fuel cell process)

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136:72365 Fuel cell with internal reforming unit.
Keppeler, Berthold (Xcellsis GmbH, Germany). Eur. Pat. Appl. EP 1172876 A2 20020116, 8 pp. DESIGNATED STATES: R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IT, LI, LU, NL, SE, MC, PT, IE, SI, LT, LV, FI, RO. (German). CODEN: EPXXDW. APPLICATION: EP 2001-116158 20010704.

- PRIORITY: DE 2000-10033594 20000711.
- AB A **fuel cell** is equipped with at least 1 internal reforming unit, which is in direct thermal contact to a single cell consisting of an electrolyte membrane, **anode**, and a **cathode**. The electrolyte membrane is temperature-stable up to 300°, proton-conductive, comprises polymers, carbon, and/or ceramic materials. One **fuel cell** unit comprises a single cell, which is placed between 2 reforming units. The **fuel cell** consists of **stacked fuel cell** units between which single cells are arranged. The released **heat** from the **fuel cell reaction** can be used for the reforming process. The **fuel cell** unit/reforming unit **stack** is suitable for vehicles.
- IC ICM H01M008-06
- CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
- ST **fuel cell stack** internal reforming unit
- IT **Fuel cell separators**
Reforming apparatus
Vehicles
(**fuel cell** with internal reforming unit)
- IT Membranes, nonbiological
(ion-selective; for **fuel cell** with internal reforming unit)
- IT Synthesis gas manufacturing
(reforming synthesis gas manufacturing; **fuel cell** with internal reforming unit)
- IT **Fuel cells**
(with internal reforming unit)
- L47 ANSWER 8 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
134:149894 **stack** design and performance of polymer **electrolyte** membrane **fuel cells**. Jiang, R.; Chu, D. (Sensors and Electron Devices Directorate, U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Adelphi, MD, 20783-1197, USA). Journal of Power Sources, 93(1-2), 25-31 (English) 2001. CODEN: JPSODZ. ISSN: 0378-7753. Publisher: Elsevier Science S.A..
- AB A review with 14 refs. of three types of **stack** structure designs of polymer **electrolyte** membrane **fuel cells** (PEMFCs) and evaluation under various humidities and temps., including bipolar, pseudo bipolar and monopolar (strip) **stacks**. The bipolar **stack** design is suitable for delivering moderate to high power, but if a single cell fails it may lead to a loss of power for the whole **stack**. Water, **heat**, **fuel**, and air management is required in bipolar plate design. For the pseudo-bipolar **cell stack** design it is easy to achieve high power by simple addition of more bi-cell units, but each bi-cell has to be filled with **fuel** and air **sep**. In the monopolar **cell stack** design a common gas **flow field** is shared by a whole strip, when a single **cell** fails the **stack** performance will not be affected seriously. Monopolar **cell stack** design is suitable for applications in low power and high voltage devices because of its high internal resistance.
- CC 52-0 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
- ST review polymer **electrolyte** membrane **fuel cell**

- stack** design performance
- IT **Fuel cells**
(polymer **electrolyte** membrane; **stack** design and performance of **fuel cells**)
- L47 ANSWER 9 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
134:59090 **Fuel cell stacks** and their operation method. Shitaya, Yukio; Ishizawa, Masaki (Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp., Japan). Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho JP 2000353536 A2 **20001219**, 6 pp. (Japanese). CODEN: JKXXAF. APPLICATION: JP 1999-162152 19990609.
- AB The **fuel cell stacks** have unit **cells**, containing a polymer electrolyte membrane between a pair of gas permeable **electrodes**, a **separator** having **fuel** gas **inlet** and outlet grooves, and a **separator** having oxidant gas **inlet** and outlet grooves; where the **separators** have heat pipes connected to heat dissipating fins. In the operation of the **fuel cell stack**, the heat pipes serve as heat insulators for rapid heating of the cells during startup, and dissipate heat from the cells during normal operation.
- IC ICM H01M008-04
ICS F28D015-02; H01M008-02; H01M008-10; H01M008-24
- CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
- ST polymer **electrolyte fuel cell separator** heat pipe
- IT **Fuel cells**
Heat pipes
(polymer **electrolyte fuel cell stacks** containing heat pipes with attached heat dissipating fins)
- L47 ANSWER 10 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
129:30118 **Separator** for the solid polymer **electrolyte fuel cells** and solid polymer **electrolyte fuel cell stack** using the **separators**. Yamaga, Noriyuki; Kudou, Hitoshi; Shinagawa, Mikio (Matsushita Electric Works, Ltd., Japan). Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho JP 10162842 A2 **19980619** Heisei, 6 pp. (Japanese). CODEN: JKXXAF. APPLICATION: JP 1996-320206 19961129.
- AB The **separators** have a body holding a polymer electrolyte membrane and containing gas **passages**, for supplying O and H for a **cathode** and an **anode** on the opposite sides of the electrolyte membrane, and heat dissipating fins protruded from the edges of the body. The body and the fins may be an integrated metal piece with corrosion resistant conductive coatings, the metal piece may be Al, and the corrosion coatings is selected from Ti, TiC, TiN, and C. The **fuel cell stacks** have unit **cells** containing the **electrolyte** membrane and the **electrodes** and the **separators**.
- IC ICM H01M008-02
ICS H01M008-04; H01M008-10
- CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
- ST polymer **electrolyte fuel cell stack separator; fuel cell** heat dissipating aluminum separator; anticorrosion coating **fuel**

- cell aluminum separator**
- IT **Fuel cell separators**
(aluminum separators with anticorrosion coatings and heat dissipating fins for solid polymer **electrolyte fuel cell stacks**)
- IT 7429-90-5, Aluminum, uses
RL: DEV (Device component use); USES (Uses)
(aluminum separators with anticorrosion coatings and heat dissipating fins for solid polymer **electrolyte fuel cell stacks**)
- IT 7440-32-6, Titanium, uses 7440-44-0, Carbon, uses 11116-16-8, Titanium nitride 12070-08-5, Titanium carbide
RL: MOA (Modifier or additive use); USES (Uses)
(aluminum separators with anticorrosion coatings and heat dissipating fins for solid polymer **electrolyte fuel cell stacks**)
- L47 ANSWER 12 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
122:295328 Solid **electrolyte fuel cell stacks**. Taniguchi, Shunsuke; Kadowaki, Shoten; Yasuo, Koji; Akyama, Yukinori; Saito, Toshihiko (Sanyo Electric Co, Japan). Jpn. Kokai
Tokkyo Koho JP 07045289 A2 19950214 Heisei, 8 pp. (Japanese).
CODEN: JKXXAF. APPLICATION: JP 1993-258819 19930730.
- AB The **fuel cell stacks** use Cr containing heat resistant alloy separators inserted between unit cells, where the separator has lower Cr content on the electrode contacting surface than in the center before heating of the stacks. This arrangement prevents diffusion of Cr into the cell cathodes.
- IC ICM H01M008-02
ICS H01M008-12
- CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
- ST solid **electrolyte fuel cell separator**; chromium control **fuel cell separator**
- IT **Fuel cells**
(**separators**, heat resistant alloy separators with low surface chromium content for solid **electrolyte fuel cell stacks**)
- IT 70409-48-2
RL: DEV (Device component use); PEP (Physical, engineering or chemical process); PROC (Process); USES (Uses)
(heat resistant alloy separators with low surface chromium content for solid **electrolyte fuel cell stacks**)
- L47 ANSWER 13 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
119:184814 Solid-**electrolyte fuel cells** using heat-resistant metals. Matsuzaki, Yoshio (Tokyo Gas Co Ltd, Japan). Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho JP 05166516 A2 19930702 Heisei, 5 pp. (Japanese). CODEN: JKXXAF. APPLICATION: JP 1991-350891 19911211.
- AB The **fuel cells** have unit cells, each containing and electrolyte plate held between a **cathode** and an **anode**,

- stacked** alternately with separators. The separators are laminates having a grooved heat-resistant metal plate on their **fuel-passage** side and a grooved conductive oxide plate on the oxidant-**passage** side. The metal may be Ni or Ni alloy, and the oxide may be perovskite-type oxide.
- IC ICM H01M008-02
ICS H01M008-12
- CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
- ST solid **electrolyte fuel cell**
separator; nickel **separator fuel cell**
; perovskite oxide **separator fuel cell**
- IT Nickel alloy, base
RL: USES (Uses)
(separators of laminates containing perovskite-type oxide and, for solid-
electrolyte fuel cells)
- IT 142511-65-7, Chromium lanthanum strontium oxide (CrLa_{0.65}Sr_{0.35}O₃)
RL: USES (Uses)
(separators of laminates containing nickel and, for solid-
electrolyte fuel cells)
- IT 7440-02-0, Nickel, uses
RL: USES (Uses)
(separators of laminates containing perovskite-type oxide and, for solid-
electrolyte fuel cells)
- L47 ANSWER 14 OF 15 HCA COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN
- 112:39723 Heat and mass transfer effects in PEM [proton exchange membrane] **fuel cells**. Vanderborgh, N. E.; Huff, J. R.; Hedstrom, J. (Los Alamos Natl. Lab., Los Alamos, NM, 87545, USA). Proceedings of the Intersociety Energy Conversion Engineering Conference, 24th (Vol. 3), 1637-40 (English) 1989. CODEN: PIECDE. ISSN: 0146-955X.
- AB Heat and water management procedures in PEM **fuel cell** **stacks** were simulated, to evaluate their effectiveness to ensure stable, long term operation of the **fuel cells**. Drying due to transpiration at the interface, diffusion within the interface, and electroosmotic transport affect the membrane performance. Heat transfer problems due to membrane drying cause thermal fluxes which affect the output stability of the **fuel cell**. Humidification and **anode** gas dehydration strategies are outlined.
- CC 52-2 (Electrochemical, Radiational, and Thermal Energy Technology)
Section cross-reference(s): .38
- ST proton exchange membrane **fuel cell**; water management **fuel cell** model; heat transfer management **fuel cell** model; humidification membrane **fuel cell** model
- IT **Fuel cells**
(hydrogen-oxygen, with proton exchange membrane, heat and mass transfer effect in, modeling of)
- IT Cation exchangers
(membranes, polymeric, humidification strategies for, modeling of, for hydrogen-oxygen **fuel cells**)
- IT **Fuel cells**
(separators, proton exchange membranes, humidification

strategies for, modeling of)

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66:51686 **Fuel cell heat** and water removal system
using electrolyte circulation. Gregory, John W.; Fetheroff, Charles W.;
Fusco, John M. (TRW Inc.). U.S. US 3300341 **19670124**, 4 pp.
(English). CODEN: USXXAM. APPLICATION: US 19620622.

AB This **fuel cell** system is provided with sensors for
temperature control and electrolyte concentration control. The
circulating electrolyte
system includes an inlet for the introduction of concentrated
electrolyte solution
into the **fuel cell** and an outlet for discharge of the
electrolyte from the cell. A 3-way **valve**
directs the discharge to either a drain or conduit for circulation
through
the system. Liquid electrolyte is withdrawn from a still and passes into
a heat exchanger where the temperature of the electrolyte is adjusted for
optimum operating conditions. The **fuel cell**, the
still, the heat exchanger and the pump, from a constant volume closed
circulating system for the electrolyte. When significant amts. of H₂O
have accumulated in the electrolyte, the condition will be sensed by an
accumulator. The accumulator consists of an expanding bellows with an
elec. sensor which provides a signal when the bellows have expanded
beyond
a predetd. level to control the pump. The pump controls the discharge
from the condenser which is connected to the vapor space of the still.
When the accumulator senses the existence of excessive amts. of H₂O, the
operation of the pump is modified to withdraw larger amts. of vapor from
the still to be condensed in the condenser and discharged through a
drain.

Thus, this system provides automatic heat control and water removal from
fuel cells with the added characteristics of low weight,
small volume, and a low amount of accessory power. The design is
intended for
marine applications.

NCL 136086000

CC 77 (Electrochemistry)

ST **FUEL CELL WATER SEPN; WATER SEPN**
FUEL CELL; MARINE FUEL CELLS

IT **Fuel cells**
(removal of heat and water in, by electrolyte circulation, for marine
applications)

IT 7732-18-5

RL: REM (Removal or disposal); PROC (Process)
(removal of, in **fuel cells**, by **electrolyte**
circulation)

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L73 ANSWER 1 OF 13 JAPIO (C) 2004 JPO on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002-260690 JAPIO
TITLE: STAMPED BIPOLAR PLATE FOR PEM **FUEL
CELL STACK**
INVENTOR: ROCK JEFFREY A
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): GENERAL MOTORS CORP <GM>
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	ERA	MAIN IPC
JP 2002260690	A	20020913	Heisei	H01M008-02

APPLICATION INFORMATION

STN FORMAT: JP 2002-41288 20020219
ORIGINAL: JP2002041288 Heisei
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: US 2001-791528 20010223
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 2002

AN 2002-260690 JAPIO

AB PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a bipolar plate, particularly for
separating adjacent fuel cells of a
fuel cell stack in a PEM **fuel
cell**.

SOLUTION: Bipolar plate assemblies 8 and 10 for the PEM fuel cell have a
meandering **flow field** 20s, formed on one surface and a
mutually combined **flow field** 20i formed on an opposite
surface, so that a single plate member can be used as an **anode**
current collector and a **cathode** current collector which is
adjacent to the fuel cell. The bipolar plate assemblies 8 and 10 have
waveform sealing arrangement for making a gas reactant flow through the
fuel cell, so that the thickness of a seal becomes maximal, and a repeat
distance between adjacent fuel cells becomes minimal.

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ICS H01M008-10; H01M008-24

L73 ANSWER 2 OF 13 JAPIO (C) 2004 JPO on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002-164064 JAPIO
TITLE: SINGLE CELL FOR SOLID **ELECTROLYTE
FUEL CELL, SEPARATOR AND
STACK**
INVENTOR: HATANO MASAHARU; HARA NAOKI; YAMANAKA MITSUGI;
UCHIYAMA MAKOTO
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): NISSAN MOTOR CO LTD
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	ERA	MAIN IPC
JP 2002164064	A	20020607	Heisei	H01M008-02

APPLICATION INFORMATION

STN FORMAT: JP 2000-360368 20001127
ORIGINAL: JP2000360368 Heisei
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 2000-360368 20001127
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 2002

AN 2002-164064 JAPIO

AB PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a single cell, a **separator** and a **fuel** cell enabling miniaturization and also enabling formation of a gas passage capable of establishing a uniform temperature difference between the **inlet** and outlet sides of a reaction gas and thus preventing fuel cell component materials from being damaged by thermal stresses.

SOLUTION: The single cell has a solid electrolyte layer sandwiched between

a fuel **electrode** layer and an **air electrode** layer. Gas passages 34 and 35 are formed on the respective outer surfaces of the fuel **electrode** layer and the **air electrode** layer, with their gas **inlet** opening 30a and gas outlet opening 30b bored at approximately right angles to the outer surfaces of the layers. The cell has at least one pair of channeled gas passages 34 and 35 extending adjacent to each other, with one of the gas passages 34 opposed to the other of the gas passages 35 for circulation

of the gas. A separator is disposed between the single cells of the solid electrolyte **fuel** cell. The **separator** has an interconnector layer sandwiched between a fuel **electrode** material layer and an **air electrode** material layer. A pair of channeled gas passages are provided on the respective outer surfaces of the fuel **electrode** material layer and the **air electrode** material layer.

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ICS H01M008-12

L73 ANSWER 3 OF 13 JAPIO (C) 2004 JPO on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001-338673 JAPIO

TITLE: **FUEL CELL SEPARATOR ASSEMBLY SEAL**
STRUCTURE

INVENTOR: KUROKI YUICHI

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): NOK CORP

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	ERA	MAIN IPC
JP 2001338673	A	20011207	Heisei	H01M008-24

APPLICATION INFORMATION

STN FORMAT: JP 2000-159638 20000530
ORIGINAL: JP2000159638 Heisei
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 2000-159638 20000530
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 2001

AN 2001-338673 JAPIO

AB PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a **fuel** cell **separator**

assembly seal structure which can raise a dimensional stability of a reaction **electrode** section 3, while raising an assembling workability of a **fuel cell stack**.

SOLUTION: Space sections 16, 18 are prepared so that they may communicate with two or more separators 1, 2 mutually which sandwich a reaction **electrode** section 3. These two or more separators 1, 2 are unified in the piled-up state mutually, by **injection** molding of a molding material 19 which consists of a rubber, a liquid rubber, or a thermoplastic elastomer or the like into the space sections 16, 18.

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ICS F16J015-10

L73 ANSWER 4 OF 13 JAPIO (C) 2004 JPO on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000-323149 JAPIO

TITLE: **SEPARATOR FOR FUEL CELL AND
MANUFACTURING DEVICE THEREOF**

INVENTOR: ITO EIKI; KOBAYASHI TOSHIRO; MORIGA TAKUYA

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): MITSUBISHI HEAVY IND LTD

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	ERA	MAIN IPC
JP 2000323149	A	20001124	Heisei	H01M008-02

APPLICATION INFORMATION

STN FORMAT: JP 1999-127167 19990507

ORIGINAL: JP11127167 Heisei

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1999-127167 19990507

SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 2000

AN 2000-323149 JAPIO

AB PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To evenly supply the reaction gas, raise the gas flow **speed** for eliminating the produced water, and provide electrical conductivity in the thickness direction.

SOLUTION: This separator is arranged between unit **cells** in a **fuel cell stack** formed by layering plural unit cells having **electrodes** arranged on both sides of a solid high molecular film. One side surface of the separator is provided with a fuel gas flow passage for supplying the fuel gas to the adjacent unit cell, and

the other side surface is provided with an oxidant gas flow passage for supplying the oxidant gas to the other adjacent unit cell. This **separator** for **fuel cell** is provided with a metal thin **plate 31**, flow passage forming members 32 worked into a rectangular or corrugation and arranged on both sides of the metal thin plate 31, and frame bodies 34, 35 for holding these flow passage forming members 32 in the metal thin plate 31.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000-223137 JAPIO

TITLE: **FUEL CELL AND SEPARATOR**

INVENTOR: MATSUKAWA MASANORI; MIZUNO KATSUHIRO; ASAI YASUYUKI;

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): KUWABARA YASUO; SO ITSUSHIN; KAJIO KATSUHIRO
AISIN TAKAOKA LTD
AISIN SEIKI CO LTD

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	ERA	MAIN IPC
JP 2000223137	A	20000811	Heisei	H01M008-02

APPLICATION INFORMATION

STN FORMAT: JP 1999-22780 19990129
ORIGINAL: JP11022780 Heisei
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1999-22780 19990129
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 2000

AN 2000-223137 JAPIO

AB PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a **fuel** cell and a **separator** for the **fuel** cell advantageous to contribution to improvement of dispersal diffusibility that an active material in an active material-containing fluid disperses and diffuses into an **electrode** in the downstream side of a fluid channel, i.e., in the side near a fluid outlet.
SOLUTION: This **fuel cell** includes plural unit cells each having **electrodes** sandwiching an electrolyte film, and plural separators 3 disposed between the unit cells. The separator 3 has plural contact projecting parts 65 (75) facing to and contacting with the **electrode** with prescribed contact widths, and plural fluid channels 6a, 7a each having a channel width between the adjacent contact projecting parts 65 (75). The contact width of the contact projecting part 65 (75) on the side near a fluid outlet is set to a smaller value than the contact width of the contact projecting part 65 (75) on the side near a fluid inlet.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000-182637 JAPIO

TITLE: **FUEL CELL STACK**

INVENTOR: FUNAYAMA NOBUHIRO; TSUJI YUKIHIRO

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): HINO MOTORS LTD

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	ERA	MAIN IPC
JP 2000182637	A	20000630	Heisei	H01M008-02

APPLICATION INFORMATION

STN FORMAT: JP 1998-355626 19981215
ORIGINAL: JP10355626 Heisei
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1998-355626 19981215
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 2000

AN 2000-182637 JAPIO

AB PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To compensate the output reduction due to a decrease

in the surface area of an **electrode** by distributing an **air** passage groove of a positive **electrode separator**, a **fuel** passage groove of a negative **electrode separator** and a cooling water passage groove of a cooling water separator over the whole surface of each separator with a continuous line pattern, those separators being an internal manifold type.

SOLUTION: In this **fuel cell stack**, an internal manifold is bored in the same pattern; the manifold is constituted of an **air inlet 2** and an **air outlet 7** in a positive **electrode separator 1**, a **fuel inlet 4** and a fuel outlet 5 in a negative **electrode separator**, a cooling water **inlet 6** and a cooling water outlet 3 in a cooling water separator. Six manifolds are provided on positive and negative **electrodes** as the same pattern. Passage grooves are formed with a continuous line pattern by a presswork or the like so as to be distributed between each **inlet** and outlet all over the surface of the separators. A water-repellent material such as Teflon is coated on the internal surface of the passage grooves for preventing the passage clogging due to the generation of water

drops. A plurality of passage grooves of each separator is disposed to improve functions of the passage grooves. An **electrode** corresponding area is increased by 40% and an output capacity is raised. COPYRIGHT: (C)2000,JPO

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000-040518 JAPIO

TITLE: FUEL CELL POWER GENERATING DEVICE AND ITS OPERATING METHOD

INVENTOR: KIYOTA TORU

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): FUJI ELECTRIC CO LTD

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	ERA	MAIN IPC
JP 2000040518	A	20000208	Heisei	H01M008-04

APPLICATION INFORMATION

STN FORMAT: JP 1998-206119 19980722
ORIGINAL: JP10206119 Heisei
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1998-206119 19980722
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined Applications, Vol. 2000

AN 2000-040518 JAPIO

AB PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To simplify a reaction gas feeding system for feeding the gas to **multiple fuel cells** and also reduce its cost.

SOLUTION: This device is provided with air flow regulating manual **valves 4A, 4B, 4C** in the piping to feed the air to the respective **air electrodes** of fuel cells 1A, 1B, 1C, and an air flow control **valve 2** in the main piping to divide the air to them. In addition, the device is provided with fuel gas flow regulating manual **valves 5A, 5B, 5C** in the piping to feed a fuel gas to the respective fuel

electrodes, and a fuel gas flow control **valve** 3 in the main piping to **divide** the **fuel** gas to them.

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L73 ANSWER 8 OF 13 JAPIO (C) 2004 JPO on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1994-124722 JAPIO

TITLE: HEATING AND HUMIDIFYING DEVICE AND
FUEL CELL

INVENTOR: HASHIZAKI KATSUO

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): MITSUBISHI HEAVY IND LTD

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	ERA	MAIN IPC
JP 06124722	A	19940506	Heisei	H01M008-04

APPLICATION INFORMATION

STN FORMAT: JP 1992-271855 19921009

ORIGINAL: JP04271855 Heisei

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1992-271855 19921009

SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 1994

AN 1994-124722 JAPIO

AB PURPOSE: To enable a heating and humidifying device to be made compact,
allow the arbitrary setting of an applied humidity amount within
saturated

vapor pressure, depending upon a change in the number of stacks, and
further enable differential pressure to be enlarged between gas and
cooling water sides via the application of a polymer film.

CONSTITUTION: This device is characteristic in that gas and cooling water
as turned into hot water state for applying heat and humidity, are
respectively introduced to both sides of polymer films 44 and 45, and the
films 44 and 45 or porous body is made to absorb the hot water. Also, the
device is characteristic in that the absorbed water is vaporized into the
gas for heat and humidity application on the other side of the body, or
humidity is applied thereto concurrently via the heat of the hot water.
Furthermore, the device is characteristic in that the device is

integrally

stacked on a fuel cell body having an
electrode joint body with electrodes laid at both side
of a solid electrolyte, and a fuel cell body with
separators laid at both sides of the body.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1992-296458 JAPIO

TITLE: FUEL CELL ELECTRIC POWER GENERATING PLANT

INVENTOR: FUNATSU TETSUYA

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): TOSHIBA CORP

PATENT INFORMATION:

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1991-63247 19910327
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 1992

AN 1992-296458 JAPIO

AB PURPOSE: To supply a sufficient fuel to strings generating electric power of a fuel cell and at the same time to keep the inside temperature of a reformer be the set temperature and carry out the inspection of the fuel cell easily while the electric power generation is carried out by installing hydrogen-rich gas flowing **rate** controlling means which corresponds to the partly string operation and an apparatus to control the **valve** open degree.

CONSTITUTION: Strings 2<SB>1</SB>-2<SB>n</SB> composed of a **plurality of fuel cell** 1<SB>1</SB>-1<SB>n</SB>

which generate electric power using the chemical reaction energy of a hydrogen-rich gas prepared by reforming a raw fuel by a reformer 9 and **oxygen** in **air** are arranged in parallel. The hydrogen-rich gas from a **hydrogen** source 8 is **divided** at branching points B, supplied from an **inlet**-side flowing-in line of each string 2<SB>1</SB>-2<SB>n</SB> through a distributing pipe end 50, and the discharged fuel from the outlet side is collected by a gathering pipe end 51 and a part of it is re-circulated to the reformer 9 and the remaining is re-circulated to the upper stream than the branching points B by a blower 3. In this structure, A total **anode inlet** flowing **rate** detector 6 is installed in the upper stream side of the branching points B and the total flowing **rate** is sent to a controlling apparatus 10 to control the **valve** open degree of the flowing-in **valve** 11 according to the temperature and the total flowing ratio.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1991-049163 JAPIO

TITLE: INDIRECT INTERNAL REFORM TYPE MOLTEN CARBONATE FUEL CELL

INVENTOR: NARITA MITSUTOMO; OTSUKI SANEJI; TAWARA HIROSHI;
MIYAZAKI MASAYUKI; OKADA TATSUNORI; TANAKA TOSHIHIDE;
MATSUMURA MITSUIE

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): KANSAI ELECTRIC POWER CO INC:THE
MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CORP

PATENT INFORMATION:

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1989-185256 19890717
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 1991

AN 1991-049163 JAPIO

AB PURPOSE: To simplify a structure and facilitate the assembling of a cell laminated body by dividing a reformer into a raw fuel gas passage and a reform reaction section, and constituting a fuel manifold with a raw fuel gas feed manifold section and a fuel gas distributing manifold section. CONSTITUTION: The raw fuel gas 6 fed to a stack is first fed to an indirect reformer 8. For the reaction heat necessary for reform reaction, the heat generated by a cell unit is given to the reformer 8 by heat conduction, and the raw fuel gas 6 is converted into the hydrogen-rich

gas

by a reform catalyst 5. The reformed fuel gas 7 is fed to the anode side passage of a unit cell via a manifold 12. A fuel manifold 12 on the fuel inlet side is divided into two independent chambers: a raw fuel gas feed manifold section 12a and a hydrogen-rich reformed gas distributing manifold section 12b. The structure is simplified, gas feeding is facilitated, and the assembling

of

the fuel cell stack is extremely facilitated.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1986-161669 JAPIO

TITLE: FUEL CELL

INVENTOR: SHIINA KOJI; SUGITA NARIHISA; SAKAGUCHI HARUICHIRO;
KOYAMA KAZUHITO; NOGUCHI YOSHIKI

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): HITACHI LTD

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	ERA	MAIN IPC
JP 61161669	A	19860722	Showa	H01M008-04

APPLICATION INFORMATION

STN FORMAT: JP 1985-232 19850107
ORIGINAL: JP60000232 Showa
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1985-232 19850107
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 1986

AN 1986-161669 JAPIO

AB PURPOSE: To make temperature distribution uniform and increase performance

and life of a cell by installing heat pipe type cooling unit in the upper and lower parts of the highest temperature part near the center of several

unit cells placed between water cooling type cooling holders.

CONSTITUTION: A unit cell 1 is assembled in such a way that an anode 3 is placed on the upper side of an electrolyte plate 2 and a cathode 4 is placed on its lower side, and a separator

5 with **fuel** passages 7 into which fuel flows is arranged in the upper part of the **anode** 3 and a separator 5 with air passages 9 into which air 8 flows is arranged in the lower part of the **cathode** 4. Since temperature is highest in the center of five unit cells 1, heat pipe type cooling unit 10 are arranged in the upper and lower parts of the central unit cell 1 to remove heat. The quadratic curve

temperature profile is formed every cooling holder 16 in a vertical direction of **stacked fuel cell**. By arranging heat pipe type cooling unit 10, the temperature in the central part is decreased and temperature distribution is made uniform.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1983-161269 JAPIO
TITLE: **STACKED FUEL CELL**
INVENTOR: MIYOSHI HIDEAKI; MITSUTA KENRO
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CORP
PATENT INFORMATION:

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JP 58161269	A	19830924	Showa	H01M008-02

APPLICATION INFORMATION

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ORIGINAL: JP57045088 Showa
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1982-45088 19820319
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined Applications, Vol. 1983

AN 1983-161269 JAPIO

AB PURPOSE: To relieve expansion or shrinkage of an electrolyte in the center

of an **electrode** by forming almost Ω -shaped flow path on the faced surface of gas **separating** plates and a **fuel electrode** and **oxidizing agent electrode**, and forming reservoirs of electrolyte in concavities of the flow paths. CONSTITUTION: A flow path 1 which forms almost Ω shape when it is projected from one side, a bypass flow path 10 which makes uniform the flow **rate** of reaction gas, and T-shaped and U-shaped outside reservoirs 2a and 2a having electrolyte supply holes 3a \sim 3f are formed on the faced surface of a fuel **electrode** and a gas separating plate. Almost reverse Ω -shaped flow path 6 is formed on the faced surface of an **oxidizing agent electrode** and a gas separating plate corresponding to the fuel **electrode** side. Therefore, outlets and **inlets** 4 \sim 7 of reaction gas are concentrated on two sides and a structure is simplified, and a contact area with an **electrode** is increased. Expansion or shrinkage of an electrolyte in the center of the **electrode** is relieved by portion extending to the center of a T-shaped reservoir 2a.

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Raymond Alejandro

10/086,862 Fuel Cell

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1983-157063 JAPIO
TITLE: SEALING OF LAYER-BUILT FUEL CELL
INVENTOR: SATO KAZUNAO
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CORP
PATENT INFORMATION:

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

STN FORMAT: JP 1982-39912 19820312
ORIGINAL: JP57039912 Showa
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1982-39912 19820312
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN (CD-ROM), Unexamined
Applications, Vol. 1983

AN 1983-157063 JAPIO

AB PURPOSE: To obtain highly reliable sealing parts between each unit cell and gas-separating plates by positioning fusible sealing members which are resistant to both high temperature and phosphoric acid between each unit cell and gas-separating plates, and fusing the sealing members to the unit cells and the gas-separating plates by performing heat treatment.

CONSTITUTION: One of the tetrafluoroethylene-hexafluoroethylene copolymer and the perfluoroalkyl-vinylether copolymer is used as a sealing member. After fuel-side sealing members 15 and 15 are placed on the sealing surface 16' of a gas-separating plate 1', a fuel cell 14 is positioned between the sealing members 15 and 15, and placed on the gas-separating plate 1'. Next, an electrolyte matrix 13 is placed on the fuel cell 14, an oxidizer electrode 12 and sealing members 11 are stacked over the electrolyte matrix 13, and another gas-separating plate 1 is placed over the sealing members 11, thereby forming a unit body. Then, after assembling a layer-built fuel cell by repeatedly performing such a work as above, pressure is applied in the stacked direction of the fuel cell. After that, the fuel cell is subjected to heat treatment in an atmosphere of an inactive gas or the like so as to fuse the sealing members 11 and 15 to the unit cells and the separating plates 1, thereby forming sealing parts.

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TI **Fuel cell stack** for internal hydrogen
generation, comprises chamber for solution comprising solvent and
chemical
hydride, and **catalyst** within the chamber for **catalyzing**
reaction of solution to generate hydrogen.

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TI **Fuel cell** has intermediate **fuel** gas supply
mechanism for supplying gas of low **humidity** through supply port
to **fuel** gas passage positioned between **anode**
electrode and **anode** separator.

L139 ANSWER 3 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI **Fuel cell** e.g. for power generation, has recirculation
conduit between **anode** inlet and outlet, and water
separator provided in **conduit** between **anode** outlet and
pump, for **separating** water from **fuel** gas exiting
anode.

L139 ANSWER 4 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI **Cell stack** for **electrochemical fuel**
cell e.g. PEM type, has **humidification cells**
with oxidant and **fuel** flow channels **separated** by
moisture exchange membrane so as to transfer moisture from
humidified oxidant to incoming **fuel**.

L139 ANSWER 5 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI Method and apparatus for selectively removing gases, e.g. carbon
monoxide,
from gas mixture, comprises use of porous membrane.

- L139 ANSWER 6 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI Composite membrane, for electrochemical apparatus or processes, comprises a porous polymeric sheet, which has functional material dispersed, where the pores are partially filled with a substance providing ionic conductance.
- L139 ANSWER 7 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI Steam processor with condensate feedback, e.g. for **fuel cell**, has suction device effectively connected to sump to suck condensate from sump and to feed it **back** into **flow** as steam at some point in chamber.
- L139 ANSWER 8 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI Automatic **moisture** exhauster of **fuel** tank.
- L139 ANSWER 9 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI Solid polymer **fuel cell** system has **fuel cell** main body, **fuel** reformer, temperature-**humidity** exchanger, **separator**, mixer, **fuel** supplier and mixed liquid supplier.
- L139 ANSWER 10 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI **Damper** element for **fuel** injection system.
- L139 ANSWER 11 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI **Fuel** pressure regulator for internal engine.
- L139 ANSWER 12 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI **Fuel** delivery pipes to distribute **fuel** to **fuel** injection **valves** - has curve-shaped deformation part of diaphragm which protrudes into **fuel passage** and parallel part provided in-between deformation parts.
- L139 ANSWER 13 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI Solid **fuel** combustion appts e.g. for burn firewood, coal, garbage - has change over **valve** which stops **fuel** supply to nozzle and directs **fuel** to burner installed below grate after fixed time interval.
- L139 ANSWER 14 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI Solid state macromolecule electrolyte **fuel battery** system - provides pressure adjustment mechanism at entrance of circulation pump or compressor.
- L139 ANSWER 15 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI Gas flow reactor for crushed or powdered coal - uses radioactive probes to measure **fuel** parameters and process computer to give continuous adjustments for optimum reactor operation.
- L139 ANSWER 16 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
TI **Fuel cell** power generating system - has steam separator that can regulate **fuel** gas **humidity** on **multiple fuel cell stacks** NoAbstract

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TI Contact resistance-**dampened stack** of monopolar
fuel battery - has **separators** and calls
interconnected by separators NoAbstract Dwg 2/2.

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TI Electrochemical **cell** used in electrolysis equipment - has porous
poly fluoroethylene film laminated on one side of **catalyst**
integrally joined to cation exchange membrane.

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TI Compact acid electrolyte alcohol **fuel cell** - has anode
in chamber with mixture of alcohol and water at predetermined constant
ratio and cathode contacted with oxygen containing gas.

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TI **Fuel cell stack** for internal hydrogen
generation, comprises chamber for solution comprising solvent and
chemical

hydride, and **catalyst** within the chamber for **catalyzing**
reaction of solution to generate hydrogen.

DC A85 E36 L03 X16

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ICS H01M008-02

AB WO2003041187 A UPAB: 20030731

NOVELTY - A **fuel cell stack** comprises:

(a) **fuel cell(s)** comprising an **anode**
with a **fuel** inlet port for hydrogen containing **fuel**
and a **cathode** with an oxidant inlet port; and

(b) chamber(s) for a solution comprising a solvent and chemical
hydride(s), having an inlet and an outlet for the solution, and a
catalyst within the chamber(s) for **catalyzing** a reaction

to generate hydrogen.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (1) an energy generating system comprising:
 - (a) the **fuel cell stack**;
 - (b) a storage mechanism for storing the solution;
 - (c) a circulation loop, at least connected to the storage mechanism, each chamber inlet port and each chamber outlet port, for circulating the solution from the storage mechanism through the **fuel cell stack**; and
 - (d) a supplying path, connected to the hydrogen inlet port of each **fuel cell anode** and each chamber outlet port, for supplying hydrogen generated inside the chamber back to the **fuel cell**; and
- (2) a method for generating and supplying hydrogen to the **fuel cell**, comprising:
 - (i) providing a supply of solution comprising solvent and chemical anhydride(s);
 - (ii) supplying the solution to a **catalyst** in the **fuel cell** to **catalyze** the reaction of the solvent and the chemical anhydride to generate hydrogen;
 - (iii) removing the solution comprising hydrogen, by-products and unreacted solution from the **fuel cell**;
 - (iv) **separating** the **hydrogen** from the solution;and
- (v) delivering the generated hydrogen to the **fuel cell**.

The **fuel cell stack** generates electricity and water from hydrogen and an oxidant.

USE - **Fuel cell** system for internal hydrogen generation.

ADVANTAGE - The **fuel cell** system is safe and compact, thus eliminating the need for bulky storage and/or separate reformer subsystems. A separate cooling loop may no longer be required. The chemical hydride solution stream absorbs and removes heat from the stack. The **hydrogen** gas may be **humidified** by the water vapor from the chemical hydride solution, thus a separate **humidification** system for the **anode** may no longer be required. The system is simplified, resulting in improved system efficiency and enhanced power density. Since chemical hydride reactions can take place at subzero temperatures, the **fuel cell** system can start at lower temperatures than conventional **fuel cells**.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure is an exploded perspective view of a **fuel cell** unit located within a **fuel cell stack**.

Anode 120

Proton exchange membrane 125

Cathode 130

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FA AB; GI; DCN

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EPI: X16-C15

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AN 2003-209830 [20] WPIX

DNN N2003-167323

TI **Fuel cell** has intermediate **fuel** gas supply mechanism for supplying gas of low **humidity** through supply port to **fuel** gas passage positioned between **anode electrode** and **anode separator**.

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NOVELTY - A solid polymer ion exchange membrane sandwiched between **anode separator** and **cathode separator**, has **anode** and **cathode** mounted on its two surfaces. A circulation passage (48) circulates **fuel** supplied from a **fuel** gas pump (46) to a **fuel** gas passage positioned between the **anode electrode** and **anode separator**. An intermediate **fuel** gas supply mechanism (50) supplies gas of low **humidity** through a supply port to the **fuel** gas passage.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for **fuel cell** operation method.

USE - None given..

ADVANTAGE - Since low **humidity** gas is supplied to the **fuel** gas passage, the relative **humidity** of the **fuel** gas in the **fuel cell** is maintained at an optimum level for generation of electric energy, and water is prevented from being condensed effectively.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the perspective view of the **fuel cell stack**.

fuel gas pump 46

circulation passage 48

intermediate **fuel** gas supply mechanism 50

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FA AB; GI

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AN 2002-090250 [12] WPIX

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TI **Fuel cell** e.g. for power generation, has recirculation conduit between **anode** inlet and outlet, and water separator provided in conduit between **anode** outlet and pump, for separating water from **fuel** gas exiting **anode**.

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IN CHEN, X; FRANK, D

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ICS H01M008-10

AB WO 200197311 A UPAB: 20020221

NOVELTY - **Fuel cell** (42) has electrolyte arranged between an **anode** and **cathode**, each provided with inlet and outlet. Recirculation conduit including pump (54) is connected between **anode** inlet and outlet. Water separator (50) is provided in the conduit between **anode** outlet and pump, for separating water from **fuel** gas exiting the **anode**. A **fuel** inlet (44) is connected to recirculation conduit for **fuel** supply.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - **Fuel** is supplied through the **anode** inlet and oxidant is supplied through the **cathode** inlet.

An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for the method of recovering moisture from a **fuel** stream of a **fuel** cell.

USE - The **fuel cell** is used for power generation by converting chemical energy to electrical energy for power generation, electric vehicle, etc.

ADVANTAGE - The excess water produced by the **fuel cell** is recovered efficiently and recycled to **humidify** the oxidant and/or **fuel** streams, avoiding the need for a separate water source for **humidification**. The connections of dryers are periodically switched between the **cathode** inlet and the **cathode** outlet, where one dryer recovers moisture from outgoing oxidant stream and the other dryer **humidifies** the incoming oxygen stream. Moisture load on the dryers is reduced, thereby enabling longer cycles to be used. When the oxidant side is maintained at significantly higher pressure than **anode** or **fuel** side, water generated during the reaction is made to **flow back** through the membrane so that a significant amount of water appears on **anode** side and the exhausted **anode fuel** stream is significantly **humidified**. The **fuel cell** can be used in cold weather conditions, since blockage of vent and undesirable moisture level are inhibited such that formation of frost and ice particles in or around the apparatus is prevented. A replacement of the dryer to effect recharging, is eliminated.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the apparatus for recovering and recycling water on the **anode** side of **fuel cell stack**.

Fuel cell stack 42

Fuel inlet 44

Water separator 50

Pump 54

Dwg. 3/5

FS CPI EPI

FA AB; GI

MC CPI: L03-E04

EPI: X16-C01C; X16-C09; X16-C15; X21-A01F; X21-B01A

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AN 2002-090249 [12] WPIX

DNN N2002-066446 DNC C2002-027959

TI Cell stack for electrochemical fuel

cell e.g. PEM type, has humidification cells with oxidant and fuel flow channels separated by moisture exchange membrane so as to transfer moisture from humidified oxidant to incoming fuel.

DC L03 X16

IN CHEN, X; FRANK, D

PA (HYDR-N) HYDROGENICS CORP

CYC 95

PI WO 2001097309 A2 20011220 (200212)* EN 15p H01M008-04

RW: AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ

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DM DZ EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ

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SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VN YU ZA ZW

CA 2315138 A1 20011213 (200212) EN H01M008-24

AU 2001068866 A 20011224 (200227) H01M008-04

US 6602625 B1 20030805 (200353) H01M008-00

ADT WO 2001097309 A2 WO 2001-CA853 20010613; CA 2315138 A1 CA 2000-2315138

20000804; AU 2001068866 A AU 2001-68866 20010613; US 6602625 B1 US

2000-592645 20000613
FDT AU 2001068866 A Based on WO 2001097309
PRAI US 2000-592645 20000613
IC ICM H01M008-00; H01M008-04; H01M008-24
AB WO 200197309 A UPAB: 20020221
NOVELTY - **Cell stack** (10) has a **fuel cell (FC) stack** and a **humidification cell stack** having **cell(s)** provided with a moisture exchange (ME) membrane. Each **humidification cell** has oxidant and **fuel** flow channels. The ME membrane separates the oxidant and **fuel** flow channels, so as to permit transfer of moisture from **humidified** oxidant discharged from the **FC stack** to dry, incoming **fuel**, flowing to the **FC stack**.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The **fuel cell stack** contains at least one **fuel cell**, a **humidified** oxidant inlet (24), an oxidant discharge (25), a **humidified** fuel inlet (26) and a **fuel** discharge (27). The **humidification cell stack** (30) comprises a discharged oxidant inlet (36) connected to the oxidant discharge, a **humidified** fuel outlet (34) connected to the **humidified** fuel inlet, a main **fuel** inlet (32) and a main oxidant outlet (38). The oxidant flow channels (21, 35, 43) are connected between the discharged oxidant inlet and the main oxidant outlet. The **fuel** flow channels (22, 33, 45) are connected between the main **fuel** inlet and the **humidified** fuel outlet.

An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for method of **humidifying** at least one stream supplied to the **fuel cell stack**.

USE - **Cell stack** is used for **electrochemical fuel cell** of proton exchange membrane (PEM) type.

ADVANTAGE - Since the **humidification cell stacks** are provided at either end of the **fuel cell stack**, temperature of the entire **fuel cell stack** is stabilized, and hence all the individual **fuel cells** are operated substantially at the same temperature. Additionally, by providing **humidification cells** or **cell stacks** on both ends of power generation **cell stack** (20), water is recovered before it hits the power generation **cells**.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the schematic view of **fuel cell stack** comprising **humidification cell stacks**.

Cell stack 10

Main power generation **cell stack 20**

Oxidant flow channels 21, 35, 43

Fuel flow channels 22, 33, 45

Humidified oxidant inlet 24

Oxidant discharge 25

Humidified fuel inlet 26

Fuel discharge 27

Humidification cell stack 30

Main **fuel** inlet 32

Humidified Fuel outlet 34
Discharged oxidant inlet 36
Main oxidant outlet 38

Dwg.1/2

FS CPI EPI

FA AB; GI

MC CPI: L03-E04

EPI: X16-C01C; X16-C09; X16-C15

LI39 ANSWER 7 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN

AN 2001-607951 [70] WPIX

DNN N2001-453895

TI Steam processor with condensate feedback, e.g. for **fuel cell**, has suction device effectively connected to sump to suck condensate from sump and to feed it **back** into **flow** as steam at some point in chamber.

DC Q68 X16

IN FAIRCHOK, J; LOGAN, V W

PA (GENK) GENERAL MOTORS CORP

CYC 2

PI DE 10105249 A1 20010823 (200170)* 6p F16T001-00

US 6610260 B1 20030826 (200357) B01J012-00

ADT DE 10105249 A1 DE 2001-10105249 20010206; US 6610260 B1 US 2000-502741 20000211

PRAI US 2000-502741 20000211

IC ICM B01J012-00; F16T001-00

ICS H01M008-06

AB DE 10105249 A UPAB: 20011129

NOVELTY - The steam processor has a housing defining a chamber (4) for processing a flow of condensable steam with a sump (100) that collects the

condensate condensed from the steam and a suction device (102) effectively

connected to the sump to suck the condensate from the sump and to feed it **back** into the **flow** as steam at some point in the chamber. The sump can be in a region of high pressure operation with condensate fed back to a low pressure region.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following: a chemical reactor, a **fuel** processor for converting a liquid hydrocarbon **fuel** into hydrogen gas for a **fuel cell** and a reaction chamber.

USE - Steam processors, e.g. chemical reactors, heat exchangers, liquid gas **separators**, **fuel cell** and **humidifiers**.

ADVANTAGE - The arrangement has an inexpensive feedback technique for removing condensate collecting in the sump of a steam processor and feeding it **back** into the **flow** of steam processed by the processor.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a schematic sectional representation of a **fuel** processor chamber 4
sump 100
suction device 102

Dwg.1/1

FS EPI GMPI
FA AB; GI
MC EPI: X16-C09; X16-C17

L139 ANSWER 8 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN

AN 2001-576949 [65] WPIX

TI Automatic **moisture** exhauster of **fuel** tank.

DC Q13

IN KIM, C W

PA (HYUN-N) HYUNDAI MOTOR CO LTD

CYC 1

PI KR 2001036118 A 20010507 (200165)* 1p B60K015-03

KR 356059 B 20021012 (200326) B60K015-03

ADT KR 2001036118 A KR 1999-42969 19991006; KR 356059 B KR 1999-42969 19991006

FDT KR 356059 B Previous Publ. KR 2001036118

PRAI KR 1999-42969 19991006

IC ICM B60K015-03

AB KR2001036118 A UPAB: 20011108

NOVELTY - An automatic moisture exhauster is provided to prevent the corrosion and the imperfect combustion of a **fuel** system due to **moisture** by automatic exhausting **moisture** separated from **fuel**.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - Moisture collecting barrel(12) and a drain cock(9) are installed on the lower end of a **fuel** tank(1). A floating ring(7) floating in moisture and sinking in a **fuel** is mounted in **moisture** collecting barrel(12). An upper and a lower limit sensors(5,6) for checking the upper and the lower limits of moisture

are provided. A solenoid **valve**(10) opens/closes the drain cock(9) according to the floating ring(7) detection signal of the sensors(5,6). Thus, **moisture** separated from the **fuel** is automatically exhausted outwards if the quantity of the moisture becomes a predetermined quantity.

Dwg.1/10

FS GMPI
FA AB; GI

L139 ANSWER 9 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN

AN 2000-376016 [32] WPIX

DNN N2000-282424 DNC C2000-113592

TI Solid polymer **fuel** cell system has **fuel** cell main body, **fuel** reformer, temperature-humidity exchanger, **separator**, mixer, **fuel** supplier and mixed liquid supplier.

DC A85 L03 X16

IN HARADA, M; HORI, M; OGAMI, Y; OHMA, A; SAITO, K; SHIMOTORI, S; SONAI, A

PA (TOKE) TOSHIBA KK

CYC 4

PI WO 2000025379 A1 20000504 (200032)* JA 49p H01M008-04

W: CA DE JP US

DE 19982376 T 20010215 (200111) H01M008-04

JP 2000578865 X 20020129 (200212) H01M008-04

US 6572994 B1 20030603 (200339) H01M008-04

ADT WO 2000025379 A1 WO 1999-JP5912 19991026; DE 19982376 T DE 1999-19982376

19991026, WO 1999-JP5912 19991026; JP 2000578865 X WO 1999-JP5912
19991026, JP 2000-578865 19991026; US 6572994 B1 Cont of WO 1999-JP5912
19991026, US 2000-604045 20000626
FDT DE 19982376 T Based on WO 2000025379; JP 2000578865 X Based on WO
2000025379
PRAI JP 1998-304079 19981026
IC ICM H01M008-04
ICS H01M008-06; H01M008-10; H01M008-18
AB WO 200025379 A UPAB: 20000706
NOVELTY - A **fuel cell** system has (a) a solid polymer
fuel cell main body, (b) a **fuel** reformer, (c)
a temperature/**humidity** exchanger, (d) a separator which
separates the moisture from the pre-reacted gas from the exchanger, (e) a
mixer which mixes a part of the water from the **separator** and the
fuel, (f) **fuel** supplier and (g) a mixed liquid supplier
which supplies a part of the mixed liquid to the reformer.
DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A solid polymer **fuel cell**
system has (a) a solid polymer **fuel cell** main body,
(b) a **fuel** reformer that supplies reformed **fuel** to the
main body where the **fuel** and water vapor are supplied which have
solidification point up to the freezing point, (c) a temperature/
humidity exchanger which exchanges heat and moisture of
pre-reacted gas which passed the reaction part of the **fuel**
cell main body and the unreacted gas which passed the reaction
part of the **fuel cell stack**, (d) a
separation means which separates the moisture from the pre-reacted gas
emitted from the exchanger, (e) a mixing means which mixes a part of the
water from the **separator** and the **fuel**, (f)
fuel supply means provides **fuel** to the mixing means, and
(g) a mixed liquid supply means which supplies a part of the mixed liquid
to the **fuel** reformer.
USE - Used as a solid polymer **fuel cell** system
which uses a solid polymer having ion conductivity as an electrolyte.
ADVANTAGE - Freezing in systems which use **fuels** which do
not dissolve in water such as gasoline, is suppressed.
DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - Figure 2 is a drawing which shows an
example of the system.
Main Body 100
 Fuel Electrode 100a
 Oxidizing **Electrode** 100b
Reformer 101
 Carbon Monoxide Reducer 102
 Fuel Stack 107
 Heat Exchanger 110
Separator 111
 Oxidizer Exhaust Gas 112
Mixer 113
Supply Pump 114
 Mixed Liquid Pump 115
Vaporizer 116
Control Unit 117
 Resorber Tank 118
Electric Fan 119
 Water Cooling Pump 120
Sensor 121

Dwg.2/15
FS CPI EPI
FA AB; GI
MC CPI: A12-E06; L03-E04
EPI: X16-C01C; X16-C09

L139 ANSWER 14 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
AN 1995-354145 [46] WPIX
DNN N1995-263868 DNC C1995-154800
TI Solid state macromolecule electrolyte **fuel battery**
system - provides pressure adjustment mechanism at entrance of
circulation

pump or compressor.
DC L03 X16
PA (MITO) MITSUBISHI JUKOGYO KK
CYC 1
PI JP 07240220 A 19950912 (199546)* 7p H01M008-04
ADT JP 07240220 A JP 1994-29529 19940228
PRAI JP 1994-29529 19940228
IC ICM H01M008-04
ICS H01M008-10

AB JP 07240220 A UPAB: 19951122
The **fuel battery** system includes **fuel** supply
device (8) and an oxidising agent supply device (9) connected to a
fuel battery main part (10). **Hydrogen** and
oxygen **humidification** devices (11,12) are connected in between
both supply devices and the **fuel battery** main part. A
hydrogen circulation pump (15) and an independent type pressure control
valve (19) are connected in series. The circulation pump and
control **valve** are parallel to a flow rate adjustment
valve (21).

A check **valve** (17) and a **hydrogen** steam
separator (13) are connected in between the path of hydrogen flow.
An oxygen circulation pump and another independent type pressure control
valve (20) are connected in series and another flow rate
adjustment **valve** (22) is connected parallel to the pump and
valve. An oxygen check **valve** (18) and an oxygen steam
separator (14) are connected in the path of oxygen flow. Thus the solid
state macromolecule electrolyte **fuel battery** system
forms a closed loop.

ADVANTAGE - Secures stable **fuel battery** output.
Provides fixed circulation pump or compressor discharge rates.

Dwg.1/5
FS CPI EPI
FA AB; GI
MC CPI: L03-E04A
EPI: X16-C01

L139 ANSWER 16 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN
AN 1987-053221 [08] WPIX
TI **Fuel cell** power generating system - has steam
separator that can regulate **fuel** gas **humidity** on
multiple fuel cell stacks NoAbstract
Dwg 0/2.
DC L03 X16

PA (HITA) HITACHI LTD

CYC 1

PI JP 62008462 A 19870116 (198708)* 10p

ADT JP 62008462 A JP 1985-144762 19850703

PRAI JP 1985-144762 19850703

IC H01M008-04

FS CPI EPI

FA NOAB

MC CPI: L03-E04

EPI: X16-C

L139 ANSWER 17 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN

AN 1986-060100 [09] WPIX

TI Contact resistance-**dampened stack** of monopolar
fuel battery - has **separators** and calls
interconnected by separators NoAbstract Dwg 2/2.

DC X16

PA (FUEL) FUJI ELECTRIC CORP RES & DEV; (FJIE) FUJI ELECTRIC MFG CO LTD

CYC 1

PI JP 61013573 A 19860121 (198609)* 4p

ADT JP 61013573 A JP 1984-132666 19840627

PRAI JP 1984-132666 19840627

IC H01M008-02

FS EPI

FA NOAB

MC EPI: X16-C

L139 ANSWER 18 OF 19 WPIX COPYRIGHT 2004 THOMSON DERWENT on STN

AN 1985-267636 [43] WPIX

DNC C1985-116189

TI Electrochemical **cell** used in electrolysis equipment - has porous
poly fluoroethylene film laminated on one side of **catalyst**
integrally joined to cation exchange membrane.

DC A85 E36 J03 L03

PA (NIST) JAPAN STORAGE BATTERY CO LTD

CYC 1

PI JP 60181291 A 19850914 (198543)* 3p

ADT JP 60181291 A JP 1984-34742 19840224

PRAI JP 1984-34742 19840224

IC C25B011-20

AB JP 60181291 A UPAB: 19930925

The **cell** provides cation exchange membrane, as a electrolyte,
integrally joined together (cation exchange film) with **catalyst**
electrode, where on the opposite side of the **catalyst** electrode
having cation films, porous polyfluoroethylene film is laminated in such
manner as to expose partially the **catalyst** electrode.

USE/ADVANTAGE - The **cell** is used for electrolysis equipment
including water electrolysis equipment, **humidity** sensors, de-
humidifiers, **hydrogen separation** equipment,
and **fuel cells** including H2-O2 **fuel**

cells, methanol-oxygen **fuel cells**, etc.

Cell prevents the retention of water in the pores of
catalyst electrode without sacrificing the current collective
ability and accelerates electrochemical reaction of the **cell**,
due to partially exposed **catalyst** electrode.

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FS CPI
FA AB
MC CPI: A04-E08; A12-E06; A12-E09; A12-S06C; A12-W11B; E10-E04L; E31-A;
E31-D; J03-B02; L03-E04

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TI Development of novel self-humidifying composite membranes for
fuel cells.

L143 ANSWER 2 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Humid properties of proton exchange membrane fuel
cells and methods for moisture transference.

L143 ANSWER 3 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Numerical analysis of polymer electrolyte fuel
cell using empirical equations for overpotentials.

L143 ANSWER 4 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Self-humidifying electrolyte membranes for fuel
cells.

L143 ANSWER 5 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Operating proton-exchange membrane fuel cells without
external humidification.

L143 ANSWER 6 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Humidification studies on polymer electrolyte membrane
fuel cell.

L143 ANSWER 7 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Self-humidified proton exchange membrane fuel
cells: operation of larger cells and fuel
cell stacks.

L143 ANSWER 8 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Operating proton exchange membrane fuel cells without
external humidification of the reactant gases. Fundamental

aspects.

- L143 ANSWER 9 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Performance of PEM **fuel cells** without external **humidification** of the reactant gases.
- L143 ANSWER 10 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 FIZ KARLSRUHE on STN
TI **Humidity** sensitivity of **electrochemical hydrogen cells** using calcium zirconate ceramics.
- L143 ANSWER 11 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Internal **humidifying** of PEM **fuel cells**.
- L143 ANSWER 12 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Low platinum loading wide electrodes for internal **humidification hydrogen/oxygen polymer electrolyte membrane fuel cells**.
- L143 ANSWER 13 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Internally **humidified** proton exchange membrane **fuel cell**.
- L143 ANSWER 14 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Modeling and experimental diagnostics in polymer **electrolyte fuel cells**.
- L143 ANSWER 15 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI Temperature compensation in conductometry.
- L143 ANSWER 16 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
TI **Fuel cell**.

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- L143 ANSWER 2 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
AN 2004:7825365 INSPEC DN B2004-02-8410G-069
TI **Humid** properties of proton exchange membrane **fuel cells** and methods for **moisture** transference.
- AU Ma Jie; Zhang Zhong-li; Su Qiu-li; Hao Zhen-liang (Sch. of Mech. & Power Eng., Shanghai Jiaotong Univ., China)
SO Journal of North China Electric Power University (Sept. 2003) vol.30, no.5, p.54-7. 4 refs.
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CODEN: HDIUEY ISSN: 1007-2691
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- DT Journal
TC Theoretical
CY China
LA Chinese
AB The proton exchange membrane **fuel cell** (PEMFC) performance is relevant to its humidity. The paper studies various factors

affecting PEMFC's moisture balance. The moisture content increases while the current density goes up, the current density for keeping the fuel cell's moisture balance should increase with the humidity rising, and the gas from the cathode should be humidified to reduce the loss from its electric resistance. The paper analyzes the fundamentals of its moisture transference. In order to utilize the water produced by internal reaction, water should be managed. While water management cannot achieve sufficient moisture, the fuel cell should be humidified. The paper compares different modification methods. With the help of mathematical modeling, the paper simulates the proton exchange membrane (PEM) fuel cell's interior processes. It is predicted that the interior modification can make PEMFC avoid the gas cross-over and then the fuel cell's performance does not degrade.

CC B8410G Fuel cells
CT CATHODES; ELECTRIC RESISTANCE; HUMIDITY; MOISTURE; PROTON EXCHANGE MEMBRANE FUEL CELLS
ST humidity properties; proton exchange membrane fuel cells; moisture transference; moisture balance; current density; cathode; electric resistance; water management; mathematical modeling

L143 ANSWER 4 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
AN 2003:7558053 INSPEC DN A2003-08-8630G-016; B2003-04-8410G-030
TI Self-humidifying electrolyte membranes for fuel cells.
AU Uchida, H.; Ueno, Y.; Hagihara, H.; Watanabe, M.
SO Journal of the Electrochemical Society (Jan. 2003) vol.150, no.1, p.A57-62. 32 refs.
Published by: Electrochem. Soc
Price: CCCC 0013-4651/2003/150(1)/A57/6/\$7.00
CODEN: JESOAN ISSN: 0013-4651
SICI: 0013-4651(200301)150:1L:A57:SHEM;1-3
DT Journal
TC Practical; Experimental
CY United States
LA English
AB We propose self-humidifying polymer electrolyte membranes (PEM) with highly dispersed nanometer-sized Pt and/or metal oxides for polymer electrolyte fuel cells (PEFCs) operated with dry H₂ and O₂. The Pt particles were expected to suppress the crossover by the catalytic recombination of H₂ and O₂, while the oxide particles (TiO₂) that have hygroscopic property were expected to adsorb the water produced at Pt particles together with that produced at the cathode reaction and to release the water once the PEM needs water. The preparation protocol of TiO₂ nanoparticles in a commercial Nafion 112 membrane via in situ sol-gel reactions was developed, resulting in a transparent membrane with uniform distribution of TiO₂ in the PEM. Water adsorbability increased more than two times by dispersing only 2 wt % TiO₂ in the PEM. That newly prepared TiO₂-PEM cooperated with highly dispersed Pt nanoparticles (Pt-TiO₂-PEM) was confirmed to perform a self-humidifying operation in a PEFC with dry H₂ and O₂.

CC A8630G Fuel cells; A8265J Heterogeneous catalysis at surfaces and other

- surface reactions; B8410G Fuel cells
- CT ADSORPTION; CATALYSIS; HUMIDITY; PROTON EXCHANGE MEMBRANE **FUEL CELLS**; WATER
- ST self-humidifying electrolyte membranes; **fuel cells**; highly dispersed nanometer-sized Pt; metal oxides; catalytic recombination; hygroscopic property; cathode reaction; water; preparation protocol; TiO₂ nanoparticles; Nafion 112 membrane; transparent membrane; water adsorbability; PEFC; TiO₂; H₂; O₂
- CHI TiO₂ bin, O₂ bin, Ti bin, O bin; H₂ el, H el; O₂ el, O el
- ET Pt; H₂; O₂; O*Ti; TiO₂; Ti cp; cp; O cp; O*Pt*Ti; O sy 3; sy 3; Pt sy 3; Ti sy 3; Pt-TiO₂; TiO; O; Ti; H
- L143 ANSWER 5 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
- AN 2002:7164152 INSPEC DN A2002-05-8630G-028; B2002-03-8410G-008
- TI Operating proton-exchange membrane **fuel cells** without external **humidification**.
- AU Yu Jing-rong; Yi Bao-lian; Han Ming; Ming Ping-wen (Fuel Cell R&D Center, Dalian Inst. of Chem. Phys., China)
- SO Chinese Journal of Power Sources (2001) vol.25, no.5, p.327-9. 14 refs. Published by: Tianjin Inst. Power Sources
CODEN: DIJIFT ISSN: 1002-087X
SICI: 1002-087X(2001)25:5L:327:OPEM;1-2
- DT Journal
- TC Experimental
- CY China
- LA Chinese
- AB Proton exchange membrane **fuel cell** (PEMFC) with the active area of 5 cm² was fabricated by adopting Nafion 112 membrane. The performances of the PEMFC were evaluated without external humidification for the reactant gases when the hydrogen and the oxygen were in co-flow or in counter-flow. The results show that the PEMFC demonstrates the best performance at 60 degrees C when the hydrogen and the oxygen are in co-flow, while it can be operated steady at 80 degrees C when the gases are in counter-flow. The performance of the **PEMFC** without external **humidification** has a little difference from that of the **PEMFC** with external **humidification**. Moreover, the **PEMFC** can still be operated steady in counter-flow at 80 degrees C without external humidification when its active area is extended to 140 cm² fabricated with Nafion 112 membrane.
- CC A8630G Fuel cells; A8265F Film and membrane processes; ion exchange; dialysis; osmosis, electro-osmosis; B8410G Fuel cells
- CT MEMBRANES; PROTON EXCHANGE MEMBRANE **FUEL CELLS**
- ST PEMFC; **proton-exchange membrane fuel cells**; Nafion 112 membrane; reactant gases; hydrogen and oxygen co-flow; hydrogen and oxygen counter-flow; 60 C; 80 C
- PHP temperature 3.33E+02 K; temperature 3.53E+02 K
- ET C
- L143 ANSWER 6 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
- AN 2001:7117903 INSPEC DN A2002-02-8630G-013; B2002-01-8410G-024
- TI **Humidification** studies on polymer **electrolyte** membrane **fuel cell**.
- AU Sridhar, P.; Perumal, R.; Rajalakshmi, N.; Raja, M.; Dhathathreyan, K.S. (SPIC Sci. Found., Centre for Energy Res., Chennai, India)

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- DT Journal
TC Experimental
CY Switzerland
LA English
- AB Two methods of humidifying the anode gas, namely, external and membrane humidification, for a polymer electrolyte membrane **fuel** (PEMFC) **cell** are explained. It is found that the water of solvation of protons decreases with increase in the current density and the electrode area. This is due to insufficient external humidification. In a membrane-based humidification, an optimum set of parameters, such as gas flow rate, area and type of the membrane, must be chosen to achieve effective humidification. The present study examines the dependence of water pick-up by hydrogen on the temperature, area and thickness of the membrane in membrane humidification. Since the performance of the **fuel cell** is dependent more on **hydrogen humidification** than on oxygen humidification, the scope of the work is restricted to the **humidification of hydrogen** using Nafion(R) membrane. An examination is made on the dependence of water pick-up by **hydrogen** in membrane **humidification** on the temperature, area and thickness of the membrane. The dependence of **fuel cell** performance on membrane **humidification** and external humidification in the anode gas is also considered.
- CC A8630G Fuel cells; A8265F Film and membrane processes; ion exchange; dialysis; osmosis, electro-osmosis; B8410G Fuel cells
- CT HUMIDITY; MEMBRANES; PROTON EXCHANGE MEMBRANE **FUEL CELLS**
- ST **polymer electrolyte membrane fuel cell**; humidification studies; anode gas humidification; external humidification; membrane humidification; PEMFC; water of solvation of protons; current density; electrode area; gas flow rate; hydrogen water pick-up; **hydrogen humidification**; oxygen humidification; Nafion membrane; **fuel cell performance**
- LI43 ANSWER 7 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN
- AN 1998:5855072 INSPEC DN A9808-8630G-044; B9804-8410G-079
- TI Self-**humidified** proton exchange membrane **fuel cells**: operation of larger **cells** and **fuel cell** stacks.
- AU Dhar, H.P.; Lee, J.H.; Lewinski, K.A. (BCS Technol. Inc., Bryan, TX, USA)
- SO FUEL CELL. 1996 Fuel Cell Seminar. Program and Abstracts
Washington, DC, USA: Courtesy Associates, 1996. p.583-6 of xxvi+794 pp. 6 refs. Availability: Annmarie Pittman, Courtesy Associates Inc, 655 15th Street NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20005, USA
Conference: Orlando, FL, USA, 17-20 Nov 1996
Sponsor(s): Fuel Cell Organ: Comm
- DT Conference Article
TC Experimental
CY United States
LA English
- AB The proton exchange membrane (PEM) **fuel cell** is

promising as the power source for use in mobile and stationary applications, primarily because of its high power density, all solid components, and simplicity of operation. For wide acceptability of this power source, its cost has to be competitive with the presently available energy sources. The **fuel cell** requires continuous **humidification** during operation as a power source. The **humidification** unit, however, increases **fuel cell** volume and weight, and therefore decreases its overall power density. Great advantages in terms of further **fuel cell** simplification can be achieved if the humidification process can be eliminated or minimized. In addition, cost reductions are associated with the ease of manufacturing and operation. Here, the authors describe how they have developed a technology of self-**humidified** operation of **PEM fuel cells** based on the mass balance of the reactants and products and the ability of the membrane electrode assembly (MEA) to retain water necessary for humidification under **cell** operating conditions.

CC A8630G Fuel cells; A8245 Electrochemistry and electrophoresis; A8265F Film

and membrane processes; ion exchange; dialysis; osmosis, electro-osmosis; A8230H Chemical exchanges (substitution, atom transfer, abstraction, disproportionation, and group exchange); B8410G Fuel cells

CT ELECTROCHEMICAL ELECTRODES; ELECTROCHEMISTRY; **FUEL CELLS**; HUMIDITY; ION EXCHANGE; MEMBRANES

ST **proton exchange membrane fuel cells**; power density; continuous humidification; self-humidified operation; mass balance; reactants; products; membrane electrode assembly; water retention

L143 ANSWER 9 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN

AN 1997:5704384 INSPEC DN A9721-8630G-021; B9711-8410G-021

TI Performance of **PEM fuel cells** without external **humidification** of the reactant gases.

AU Buchi, F.N.; Doanh Tran; Srinivasan, S. (Center for Electrochem. Syst. & Hydrogen Res., Texas A&M Univ., College Station, TX, USA)

SO Proceedings fo the First International Symposium on Proton Conducting Membrane Fuel Cells 1

Editor(s): Gottesfeld, S.; Halpert, G.; Landgrebe, A.

Pennington, NJ, USA: Electrochem. Soc, 1995. p.226-40 of vi+318 pp. 22 refs.

Conference: Chicago, IL, USA, 8 Oct 1995

DT Conference Article

TC Experimental

CY United States

LA English

AB Operation of polymer **electrolyte fuel cells**

(**PEMFC**) without external **humidification** of the

reactant gases is advantageous for the **PEMFC** system. This is because this mode of operation eliminates the need of a gas-humidification subsystem which is a burden to the **fuel cell** system with respect to weight, complexity, cost and parasitic power. We investigated the possible range of operating conditions for a **PEMFC** using dry H₂/air by applying a simple model and it was found, that dry air, passing at the cathode, may be fully internally humidified by the water produced by the electrochemical reaction at temperatures up to 70 degrees C. The water distribution in the **cell** operated on dry gases is dominated by

the back-diffusion of product water to the anode. The dominating water back diffusion allows for internally **humidifying** also the **hydrogen** and prevents drying out of the anode. With optimized membrane-electrode-assemblies (MEA), self-humidified **cells** achieve similar performance as **cells** with standard MEAs and humidified gases. The performance of single **cells** and small stacks is investigated.

CC A8630G Fuel cells; A8265F Film and membrane processes; ion exchange; dialysis; osmosis, electro-osmosis; A8245 Electrochemistry and electrophoresis; B8410G Fuel cells
CT CATHODES; ELECTROCHEMICAL ELECTRODES; ELECTROLYTES; **FUEL CELLS**; ION EXCHANGE; MEMBRANES; POLYMERS
ST **PEM fuel cells**; operating conditions; reactant gases; **polymer electrolyte fuel cells**; dry H₂/air; cathode; electrochemical reaction; water distribution; back-diffusion; product water; anode; water back diffusion; internal humidification; optimized membrane-electrode-assemblies; **self-humidified cells**; 70 C
PHP temperature 3.43E+02 K
ET H₂; C

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AN 1997:5633839 INSPEC DN A9716-0725-001
TI **Humidity** sensitivity of **electrochemical hydrogen cells** using calcium zirconate ceramics.
AU Engelen, W.; Buekenhoudt, A.; Luyten, J.; De Schutter, F. (Vlaamse Instelling voor Technol. Onderzoek (VITO), Mol, Belgium)
SO Solid State Ionics, Diffusion & Reactions (March 1997) vol.96, no.1-2, p.55-9. 9 refs.
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DT Journal
TC Experimental
CY Netherlands
LA English
AB The influence of humidity on the conduction of indium doped calcium zirconate is investigated using electrochemical hydrogen concentration **cells**. The resulting e.m.f. values measured in dry and **humidified** argon-**hydrogen** gas mixtures were found to be linear as a function of the logarithm of the hydrogen gradient but with a slope of around 70% of the expected Nernst slope in the dry mixtures. The obtained curves are discussed in terms of mixed hydrogen and oxygen conduction. In addition, electronic conduction at very low oxygen partial pressures was introduced in order to explain all the experimental observations.
CC A0725 Hygrometry; A8120L Preparation of ceramics and refractories; A7280G Conductivity of transition-metal compounds; A0670D Sensing and detecting devices; A6820 Solid surface structure; A8245 Electrochemistry and electrophoresis; A8280F Electrochemical analytical methods
CT CALCIUM COMPOUNDS; CERAMICS; ELECTRIC IMPEDANCE; ELECTRIC POTENTIAL; ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY; ELECTROCHEMICAL ANALYSIS; HUMIDITY SENSORS; HYDROGEN; SCANNING ELECTRON MICROSCOPY; SURFACE STRUCTURE; ZIRCONIUM COMPOUNDS

ST humidity sensitivity; **electrochemical cells**; Ca zirconate ceramics; conduction; **electrochemical H concentration cells**; e.m.f. values; Nernst slope; partial pressure dependence; SEM; surface structure; 1200 C; 200 to 600 C; 980 C; $\text{CaZr}_{0.9}\text{In}_{0.1}\text{O}_3$; H_2

CHI $\text{CaZr}_{0.9}\text{In}_{0.1}\text{O}_3$ ss, $\text{In}_{0.1}$ ss, $\text{Zr}_{0.9}$ ss, Ca ss, In ss, O_3 ss, Zr ss, O ss; H_2 el, H el

PHP temperature $1.47\text{E}+03$ K; temperature $4.73\text{E}+02$ to $8.73\text{E}+02$ K; temperature $1.25\text{E}+03$ K

ET Ca; H; $\text{Ca}^*\text{In}^*\text{O}^*\text{Zr}$; Ca sy 4; sy 4; In sy 4; O sy 4; Zr sy 4; $\text{CaZr}_{0.9}\text{In}_{0.1}\text{O}_3$; Ca cp; cp; Zr cp; In cp; O cp; H_2 ; $\text{CaZr}_{0.9}\text{In}_{0.1}\text{O}_3$; In; Zr; O

L143 ANSWER 11 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN

AN 1996:5271146 INSPEC DN A9612-8630G-003; B9607-8520-005

TI Internal **humidifying** of PEM fuel cells.

AU Staschewski, D. (Inst. for Neutron Phys. & Reactor Tech., Karlsruhe, Germany)

SO International Journal of Hydrogen Energy (May 1996) vol.21, no.5, p.381-5.

8 refs.

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DT Journal

TC Application; Practical; Experimental

CY United Kingdom

LA English

AB Hydrogen **fuel cells** (FC) for vehicular traction should stand out for a car-specific lightweight design. As regards FC systems containing proton exchange membranes (PEM), this quality can be considerably improved by introducing porous bipolar plates which are conditioned by a water loop and deliver hot humidifying water to the adjacent membrane-electrode assembly. According to the principle of internal **humidification**, special **fuel cells** based on sintered fiber and powder graphite were manufactured on a semi-technical scale. Self-made Pt/C electrodes hotpressed onto Nafion resulted in currents up to 200 A with pure oxygen as oxidant, providing the precondition for detailed studies of turnover and drainage rates within a monocell test arrangement.

CC A8630G Fuel cells; A8230H Chemical exchanges (substitution, atom transfer, abstraction, disproportionation, and group exchange); A8265F Film and membrane processes; ion exchange; dialysis; osmosis, electro-osmosis; A8245 Electrochemistry and electrophoresis; B8520 Transportation; B8410G Fuel cells

CT ELECTRIC VEHICLES; ELECTROCHEMICAL ELECTRODES; ELECTROCHEMISTRY; **FUEL CELLS**; HUMIDITY; HYDROGEN; ION EXCHANGE; MEMBRANES; OXYGEN; TRACTION

ST **PEM fuel cells**; internal humidification; proton exchange membranes; vehicular traction; porous bipolar plates; hot humidifying water; membrane-electrode assembly; sintered fiber; powder graphite; Nafion; oxidant; H_2 - O_2 ; Pt-C

CHI H_2 - O_2 int, H_2 int, O_2 int, H int, O int, H_2 el, O_2 el, H el, O el; Pt-C int, Pt int, C int, Pt el, C el

ET Pt; H^{*}O; H₂-O₂; C*Pt; Pt-C; H; O

L143 ANSWER 12 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN

AN 1995:5087102 INSPEC DN A9522-8630G-016; B9512-8410G-015

TI Low platinum loading wide electrodes for internal **humidification hydrogen/oxygen polymer electrolyte membrane fuel cells.**

AU Escribano, S.; Miachon, S. (Dept. de Recherche Fondamentale sur la Matiere

Condensee, CEA, Grenoble, France); Aldebert, P.

SO New Materials for Fuel Cell Systems I. Proceedings of the First International Symposium on New Materials for Fuel Cell Systems Editor(s): Savadogo, O.; Roberge, P.R.; Veziroglu, T.N. Montreal, Que., Canada: Editions de l'Ecole Polytech. Montreal, 1995. p.135-43 of xvi+738 pp. 24 refs.

Conference: Montreal, Que., Canada, 9-13 July 1995

Sponsor(s): Ecole Polytech. Montreal; Minist. Ressources Naturelles du Quebec; Int. Assoc. Hydrogen Energy

ISBN: 2-553-00514-8

DT Conference Article

TC Experimental

CY Canada

LA English

AB The membrane electrode assemblies (MEAs) presented here used Nafion 117 as

the electrolyte membrane and platinum as the catalyst. The active layer contained platinum on carbon, PTFE, and solubilized electrolyte. It was sprayed onto a carbon cloth containing essentially PTFE, or directly onto the membrane. Platinum loading was reduced to less than 0.15 mg/cm². The final assembly was obtained by hot-pressing. Roughness factors were measured by cyclic voltammetry. Electrochemical performances were tested in a specially designed internal humidification **cell** for 100 cm² circular electrodes. The importance of the diffusion layer and hot-pressing conditions on electrochemical behavior was confirmed. Polarization curves demonstrated a better catalyst utilization than in commercial electrodes (E-Tek).

CC A8630G Fuel cells; A8120E Powder techniques, compaction and sintering; A8280F Electrochemical analytical methods; A0630C Spatial variables measurement; A8265J Heterogeneous catalysis at surfaces and other surface reactions; A8265F Film and membrane processes; ion exchange; dialysis; osmosis, electro-osmosis; A6630H Self-diffusion and ionic conduction in solid nonmetals; A8245 Electrochemistry and electrophoresis; B8410G Fuel cells; B7320C Spatial variables measurement; B0170G General fabrication techniques

CT CATALYSTS; ELECTROCHEMICAL ELECTRODES; **FUEL CELLS**; HOT PRESSING; HUMIDITY; ION EXCHANGE; MEMBRANES; PLATINUM; POLARISATION; POLYMERS; SOLID ELECTROLYTES; SURFACE TOPOGRAPHY MEASUREMENT; VOLTAMMETRY (CHEMICAL ANALYSIS)

ST low platinum loading wide electrodes; internal humidification; **hydrogen/oxygen polymer electrolyte membrane fuel cells**; Nafion 117; membrane electrode assemblies; electrolyte membrane; platinum catalyst; active layer; PTFE; solubilized electrolyte; carbon cloth; hot-pressing; roughness factors measurement; cyclic voltammetry; electrochemical performances; **internal humidification cell**; circular electrodes; diffusion layer; polarization curves; H₂-O₂

CHI H2-O2 int, H2 int, O2 int, H int, O int, H2 el, O2 el, H el, O el
ET H*O; H2-O2; H; O

L143 ANSWER 13 OF 16 INSPEC (C) 2004 IEE on STN

AN 1995:4905087 INSPEC DN A9507-8630G-010; B9504-8410G-010

TI Internally **humidified** proton exchange membrane **fuel cell**.

AU Dhar, H.P. (BCS Technol., Bryan, TX, USA)

SO Collection of Technical Papers. 29th Intersociety Energy Conversion Engineering Conference (IEEE Cat. No.94CH3478-5) Washington, DC, USA: AIAA, 1994. p.865-70 vol.2 of 4 vol. xxxiii+1959 pp. 9 refs.

Conference: Monterey, CA, USA, 7-11 Aug 1994

DT Conference Article

TC Experimental

CY United States

LA English

AB To simplify a proton exchange membrane **fuel cell** (PEMFC) and to minimize its auxiliary subsystems, the **fuel cell** needs to operate at the ambient pressure requiring no external humidification. Towards that goal, a PEMFC has been developed and

evaluated. The central part of the membrane electrolyte is cutout and a deposit of the solubilized membrane is applied directly on the electrodes.

Results are presented for Nafion 117 membrane and Pt/C gas diffusion electrodes of catalyst loading 1 mg cm⁻². The **fuel cells** were operated at temperatures of 30-50 degrees C and pressures of 101-240 kPa. Comparative data were also obtained with uncut Nafion 117 membrane. Results indicate that the **fuel cell** resistance is decreased with the cutout membrane. The effect of the cutout area on the **fuel cell** performance was determined by replacing the cutout membrane with a nonconducting film, which keeps only the cutout area active in the **fuel cell**. The performance of this **cell** was far greater than that of a **cell** with the cutout membrane. These results indicate that in an unhumidified **fuel cell** with a cutout membrane, the major portion of the current flows through the cutout area.

CC A8630G Fuel cells; A8245 Electrochemistry and electrophoresis; A8265F Film

and membrane processes; ion exchange; dialysis; osmosis, electro-osmosis; A8230H Chemical exchanges (substitution, atom transfer, abstraction, disproportionation, and group exchange); B8410G Fuel cells

CT CARBON; ELECTROCHEMICAL ELECTRODES; ELECTROLYTES; **FUEL CELLS**; ION EXCHANGE; MEMBRANES; PLATINUM

ST internally humidification; **proton exchange membrane fuel cell**; ambient pressure operation; membrane electrolyte; solubilized membrane; Nafion 117 membrane; Pt/C gas diffusion electrodes; catalyst loading; uncut Nafion 117 membrane; **fuel cell resistance**; nonconducting film; 30 to 50 C; 101 to 240 kPa; Pt-C

CHI PtC bin, Pt bin, C bin

PHP temperature 3.03E+02 to 3.23E+02 K; pressure 1.01E+05 to 2.4E+05 Pa

ET Pt; C; C*Pt; Pt-C; PtC; Pt cp; cp; C cp

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AN 1970:89520 INSPEC DN A70002978; B70006253
TI **Fuel cell.**
CS Energy conversion Ltd
PI UK 1150282 30 April 1969
AD 29 April 1966
PRAI UK 19327/65 7 May 1965
DT Patent
CY United Kingdom
LA English
AB The oxidant exhaust temperature and back pressure are maintained constant,
the mass flow of oxidant is regulated according to the current loading on the **cell**, and the **electrolyte moisture** content is maintained constant by regulating the **cell** temperature in accordance with the moisture content of the oxidant at the **inlet** and outlet.
CC A8630G Fuel cells; B8410G Fuel cells
CT **FUEL CELLS**

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TI Investigation of Nafion[registered trademark]/HPA composite membranes for high temperature/low relative **humidity PEMFC** operation.

L146 ANSWER 2 OF 8 COMPENDEX' COPYRIGHT 2004 EEI on STN
TI An analysis of water management for a PEM **fuel cell** system in automotive drive cycles.

L146 ANSWER 3 OF 8 COMPENDEX COPYRIGHT 2004 EEI on STN
TI Study of external **humidification** method in proton exchange membrane **fuel cell**.

L146 ANSWER 4 OF 8 COMPENDEX COPYRIGHT 2004 EEI on STN
TI High-Performance Solid Acid **Fuel Cells** Through **Humidity** Stabilization.

L146 ANSWER 5 OF 8 COMPENDEX COPYRIGHT 2004 EEI on STN
TI Self-**humidifying** electrolyte membranes for **fuel**
cells. Preparation of highly dispersed TiO₂ particles in Nafion
112.

L146 ANSWER 6 OF 8 COMPENDEX COPYRIGHT 2004 EEI on STN
TI Effect of **humidity** on PEM **fuel cell**
performance. Part II. Numerical simulation.

L146 ANSWER 7 OF 8 COMPENDEX COPYRIGHT 2004 EEI on STN
TI Effect of **humidity** of PEM **fuel cell**
performance. Part I. Experiments.

L146 ANSWER 8 OF 8 COMPENDEX COPYRIGHT 2004 EEI on STN
TI Utilizing scalar electromagnetics to tap vacuum energy.

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AN 2004(7):9240 COMPENDEX
TI Study of external **humidification** method in proton exchange
membrane **fuel cell**.
AU Hyun, Dukso (Department of Chemical Engineering University of Ulsan,
Ulsan
680-749, South Korea); Kim, Junbom
SO Journal of Power Sources v 126 n 1-2 Feb 16 2004 2004.p 98-103
CODEN: JPSODZ ISSN: 0378-7753
PY 2004
DT Journal
TC Theoretical; Experimental
LA English
AB Water management is essential for performance enhancement of a PEMFC
because proton conductivity depends on hydration of the polymer. An
external humidification method is used in a **fuel cell**
experiment. **Humidity** and temperature of the gas are measured
using humidity and a dew-point transmitter. An E-tek electrode and a
Nafion 115 membrane was used to check the relationship between humidity
and performance of a **fuel cell**. The **Fuel**
cell performance experiment was carried out using a control
program that is made in laboratory using HP VEE. Humidity data on the
steady state was used to understand the effect of **humidity** on
fuel cell performance. An experiment was performed to
improve **fuel cell** efficiency at lower **humidity**
and temperature condition. The relative **humidity** of
hydrogen gas was lower by about 10-15% than that of air or oxygen
but the temperature was higher by about 2.5 deg C. \$CPY 2003 Elsevier

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CC 702.2 Fuel Cells; 443.1 Atmospheric Properties; 443.2 Meteorological
Instrumentation; 944.1 Moisture Measuring Instruments; 641.1
Thermodynamics; 931.3 Atomic and Molecular Physics
CT ***Fuel cells**; Positive ions; Protons; High temperature
effects; Polymeric membranes; Anodes; Cathodes; Atmospheric humidity;
Hygrometers; Specific heat

ST Proton exchange membrane **fuel cells** (PEMFC); Dew-point transmitters

L146 ANSWER 4 OF 8 COMPENDEX COPYRIGHT 2004 EEI on STN

AN 2004(4):6482 COMPENDEX

TI High-Performance Solid Acid **Fuel Cells** Through Humidity Stabilization.

AU Boysen, Dane A. (Materials Science California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA 91125, United States); Uda, Tetsuya; Chisholm, Calum R. I.; Haile, Sossina M.

SO Science v 303 n 5654 Jan 2 2004 2004.p 68-70

CODEN: SCIEAS ISSN: 0036-8075

PY 2004

DT Journal

TC Theoretical; Experimental

LA English

AB Although they hold the promise of clean energy, state-of-the-art **fuel cells** based on polymer electrolyte membrane **fuel cells** are inoperable above 100deg C, require cumbersome humidification systems, and suffer from **fuel** permeation. These difficulties all arise from the hydrated nature of the electrolyte. In contrast, "solid acids" exhibit anhydrous proton transport

and high-temperature stability. We demonstrate continuous, stable power generation for both H₂/O₂ and direct methanol **fuel cells** operated at [similar to] 250deg C using a humidity-stabilized solid acid CsH₂PO₄ electrolyte. 11 Refs.

CC 702.2 Fuel Cells; 815.1 Polymeric Materials; 804.1 Organic Components; 802.2 Chemical Reactions

CT ***Fuel cells**; Polymers; Hydration; Electrolytes; Methanol

ST Humidification system

ET H*O; H₂/O; H cp; cp; O cp; Cs*H; CsH; Cs cp; O*P; PO; P cp

L146 ANSWER 5 OF 8 COMPENDEX COPYRIGHT 2004 EEI on STN

AN 2003(7):3463 COMPENDEX

TI Self-humidifying electrolyte membranes for **fuel cells**. Preparation of highly dispersed TiO₂ particles in Nafion 112.

AU Uchida, Hiroyuki (Clean Energy Research Center University of Yamanashi, Kofu 400-8511, Japan); Ueno, Yoshihiko; Hagiwara, Hiroki; Watanabe, Masahiro

SO Journal of the Electrochemical Society v 150 n 1 January 2003 2003.p A57-A62

CODEN: JESQAN ISSN: 0013-4651

PY 2003

DT Journal

TC Experimental

LA English

AB We propose self-humidifying polymer electrolyte membranes (PEM) with highly dispersed nanometer-sized Pt and/or metal oxides for polymer electrolyte **fuel cells** (PEFCs) operated with dry H₂ and O₂. The Pt particles were expected to suppress the crossover by the catalytic recombination of H₂ and O₂, while the oxide particles (TiO₂) that have hygroscopic property were expected to adsorb the water produced

at Pt principles together with that produced at the cathode reaction and to release the water once the PEM needs water. The preparation protocol of

TiO₂ nanoparticles in a commercial Nafion 112 membrane via in situ sol-gel

reactions was developed, resulting in a transparent membrane with uniform distribution of TiO₂ in the PEM. Water adsorbability increased more than two times by dispersing only 2 wt % TiO₂ in the PEM. That newly prepared TiO₂-PEM cooperated with highly dispersed Pt nanoparticles (Pt-TiO₂-PEM) was confirmed to perform a self-humidity operation in a PEFC with dry H₂ and O₂. 32 Refs.

CC 702.2 Fuel Cells; 815.1.1 Organic Polymers; 547.1 Precious Metals; 804.2 Inorganic Components; 801.1 Chemistry (General); 801.3 Colloid Chemistry

CT *Fuel cells; Reaction kinetics; Water; Adsorption; Nanostructured materials; Titanium oxides; Sol-gels; Polyelectrolytes; Platinum; Oxides; Hydrogen; Catalysis; Cathodes

ST Self humidifying electrolyte membranes; Polymer electrolyte fuel cells; Catalytic recombination; Water adsorbability

ET Pt; H; O; O*Ti; TiO; Ti cp; cp; O cp; O*Pt*Ti; O sy 3; sy 3; Pt sy 3; Ti sy 3; Pt-TiO

L146 ANSWER 6 OF 8 COMPENDEX COPYRIGHT 2004 EEI on STN

AN 2000(22):3984 COMPENDEX

TI Effect of humidity on PEM fuel cell performance. Part II. Numerical simulation.

AU Shimpalee, S. (Univ of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, USA); Dutta, S.; Lee,

W.K.; Van Zee, J.W.

MT Heat Transfer Division - 1999 ((The ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress and Exposition).

MO ASME

ML Nashville, TN, USA

MD 14 Nov 1999-19 Nov 1999

SO American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Heat Transfer Division, (Publication) HTD v 364-1 1999.ASME, Fairfield, NJ, USA.p 367-374

CODEN: ASMHD8 ISSN: 0272-5673

ISBN: 0-7918-1656-7

PY 1999

MN 56554

DT Conference Article

TC Theoretical; Experimental

LA English

AB Experiments have shown that the inlet humidity has a significant influence on the performance of a polymer electrolyte membrane (PEM) fuel cell, and theory indicates that the ionic resistivity of the electrolyte membrane is dependent on the activity of water at the membrane surface. Water flux and activities change along the flow field direction. To understand the inner flow and mass transfer processes, a numerical model is developed to predict the flow inside a single fuel cell. Detailed velocity fields, pressure profiles, and current density distributions are obtained and predictions from the full-cell model are compared with the experimental data. Predictions indicate that flow inter-linkage between side-by-side flow channels occurs through the porous diffusion layer. Results also indicate that the diffusion of hydrogen is aided by

the flow toward the membrane in the **anode** side and diffusion of oxygen is opposed by the flow direction present in the **cathode** side. (Author abstract) 8 Refs.

CC 702.2 Fuel Cells; 443.1 Atmospheric Properties; 723.5 Computer Applications; 804.2 Inorganic Components; 801.4 Physical Chemistry; 641.3 Mass Transfer

CT ***Fuel cells**; Diffusion in gases; Surfaces; Mass transfer; Mathematical models; Current density; **Channel** flow; Atmospheric humidity; Computer simulation; Water

ST Polymer **electrolyte** membrane **fuel cell**; Faraday constant; Diffusion mass flux

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TI Protecting **Fuel Cells** From Drowning: Water in the
fuel is extracted before it reaches the **cells**. NTIS
Tech Note.

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AN 1990(15):07099 NTIS Order Number: NTN90-0145/XAB
TI Protecting **Fuel Cells** From Drowning: Water in the
fuel is extracted before it reaches the **cells**. NTIS
Tech Note.
CS National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC.
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NR NTN90-0145/XAB
lp; Feb 1990
DT Report
CY United States
LA English
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for utilization. A water collector at the hydrogen inlet of a stack of **fuel cells** prevents **moisture** from 'drowning' the **cells**; that is, condensing on them so that they can no longer function. The water collector includes an empty reservoir of the type normally used to hold electrolyte, a component that is used in considerable numbers in a **fuel-cell** power-plant. The empty reservoir is placed next to a cooling plate. Water in the stream of hydrogen collects in the cooling plate. A wick carries the collected water to the reservoir. Because the reservoir is not part of any active **cell**, the water there does not degrade the performance of the stack. The reservoir retains the water until it evaporates. The water does not pour out if the stack is tipped during handling.

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